

Cattlemen Ask Price Support

Farm Bureau Plans Drought Assistance

Almost 500 farmers gathered in Hondo Monday night, July 6, to hear Texas Farm Bureau vice-president C. H. DeVaney and State Representative Dolph Briscoe speak on the current drought relief plans, and the group passed three important resolutions.

The group asked congress to place a support price under cattle for as long as other farm products are supported, or until cattle reach parity. One speaker estimated cattle parity at about 18c figured over all grades. This resolution passed with an apparent majority of about 300 to 20 among those voting.

The second resolution called for the suspension of all beef and live cattle imports until the emergency had passed, and a higher tariff after that time. It passed unanimously, as did the third, which called for extending feed and financing direct to the farmers and ranchers, regardless of their ability to get a bank loan. It called for not over 3 per cent interest, and a five year term or more if needed.

The final resolution commended the administration for taking such prompt action, and for trying to find out the actual needs of farmers in the drought area.

Called "Creeping Disaster" Bonner Carl, president of the Medina County Farm Bureau, opened the meeting by introducing James Amberson of Hondo, who praised the Bureau for its leadership in helping to solve farm problems. Amberson was followed by Dolph Briscoe, Jr., who pointed out that a drought like this was actually a creeping disaster, just as deadly as a flood, fire or tornado in its ruin of the economy of an entire area.

Briscoe stated that entitling an area "disaster" meant that feed could be bought at reduced rates to keep up foundation herds so that ranchers and farmers can stay in business until the weather improves. Also it provides for long term, low interest credit, and the restoration of a better cattle market by government purchase of the surplus.

Just back from a Washington conference, Briscoe told the packed house that cattle slaughter is now about 30 to 40 per cent ahead of a year ago, and this meant that the cattle population is leveling off this year. There will not be an increase next year, contrary to what was previously thought by agricultural economists, which should improve future prospects.

DeVaney praised Briscoe's help for the Farm Bureau, and said that he worked in Austin for the best interests of the entire state's farmers. He told a story about a Panhandle farmer who was asked what he planned to do if the rains came now. He answered that if they came in July he would plant maize, if in August, three minute oats, and if in September, instant coffee.

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County Judge J. F. Gray of Atascosa county followed, and after publicly thanking Briscoe for his help with the state's rural roads program, said that we must plan now to prevent water from running into the sea, to relieve the droughts yet to come after this one is broken.

Hubert Dunn, president of the Frio County Farm Bureau, said that he would like to see foreign meat shut out of the country. He said that it helped manufacturers who exported to foreign countries at the farmer's expense. Dunn favored a government guarantee of part of bank loans made in the future, but said past loans were responsibilities of the banks.

George Ilse of Hondo pointed out that about 400,000 head of cattle from Mexico had come in recently, which helped to depress the market.

A. W. Marburger, president of the Zavala County Farm Bureau, said that the government was planning to buy the equivalent of 700,000 head of cattle in processed meat, when half of that amount had just come in from Mexico.

Mike Smith of Sabinal, president of the Uvalde County Farm Bureau, said that much of the hay shipped here last winter was no good, and had to be condemned when it arrived. He urged inspection, and also wanted to include goats and all livestock in foundation herd programs.

No Red Tape Wanted Mr. Walker wanted to know whether a lot of government red tape was to be involved in the feed program, and said that if it was like the usual government program, the cattle would starve to death before they could get the feed. DeVaney said that local committees would speed up matters greatly, and told of feed being delivered in Dumas, Texas, on Monday when the top level decision was made only last Saturday.

Feed dealers had offered to handle the government feed at cost, on a standby basis to help get the feed into the hands of the user, according to one report. This man pointed out that it would be difficult to handle except through elevators and normal feed distribution centers.

W. B. Melton voiced his condemnation of the buying program based on purchases from packers, and wanted purchasing conducted from the farmers. Marburger pointed out that farmers recently loaned money to the government for 3 per cent and less in the form of war bonds, and now were asking for the same deal.

425 Apply 425 applications had been received up to Wednesday morning by the PMA office in Hondo. These were all for emergency feed. A shipment is expected in the very near future, according to Arthur Stratman, manager. San Antonio received the first car of feed on Tuesday.

The local committee which is passing on all applications consists of V. P. King, chairman, C. B. Gaston, Fritz Grote, Walter Bendele and W. C. Scott. Gaston is also county agent, and Grote is representing the Farmers Home Administration.

Meal and pellets will be available at \$35 per ton at the tracks. Oats will be 50c, corn \$1, and wheat \$1.10.

The application blanks call for the farmer to state how many cattle are in his foundation herd, how many sheep, goats or dairy cattle he has, and how much feed he has on hand now. He is asked to estimate his needs for the next 30 days, and all applications are reviewed by the committee in charge.

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TEXAS FARM INCOME BELOW YEAR 1952

AUSTIN—Texas farm income for the first five months of 1953 totaled \$546 million—18 percent below the same period last year, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports.

Some commodities showed increase this year. Wheat earnings rose 15 per cent; oats, 96 per cent; and sheep and lambs, 70 per cent. Eggs, fruits and vegetables and poultry accounted for smaller gains.

Freddie DePuy Improved

Freddie DePuy, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert DePuy, who was stricken with polio on Friday morning, has according to reports received on Thursday morning, greatly improved.

The entire town of Hondo is happy and thankful over this last report.

EIGHTEEN YEAR OLDS INDUCTED IN JUNE

The following Medina County men have been registered for selective service by Texas Local Board No. 48 for the month of June.

Gilbert A. Clawson, Devine; Remyundo C. Rodriguez, Devine; Jimmie McCarty, Natalia; Richard H. Hagedorn, Jr., Natalia; Acencion Alvarez, Hondo; Antonio Mauricious, Devine; Robert S. Farmer, Hondo; Marcus B. Jimenez, Hondo; Earl L. Mangold, Jr., LaCoste; Juan Fria, Natalia; Alberto P. Gonzales, Devine; Juan M. Ortiz, Devine; Hubert A. Nester, D'Hanis; Don L. Tschirhart, Castroville; Juan T. Coronado, Hondo; O. J. Williams, Jr., Hondo; and Jack T. Martin, Devine.



The Comptroller's Office at Texas Aviation Industries headquarters. All financial affairs, budgets, payrolls, etc., are handled by this office which employs around thirty-one people nearly all Medina County residents. John Sheridan is Comptroller and Treasurer for TAI.

WINKLER BUICK CO. ROBBED

The Jack Winkler Buick Company was robbed on Tuesday night of approximately \$40 in cash.

The robbers entered by breaking a latch on a back window. Every drawer and desk was rifled.

The men overlooked \$50 in cash which was just folded inside a top drawer in one of the desks.

BUDDY PAGE ELECTED TO LEAD JAYCEES

The Hondo Junior Chamber of Commerce elected William R. (Buddy) Page president for the coming year at its regular meeting last Wednesday night.

Other officers are: Bob Nations, vice-president, and Tommy Ney, secretary-treasurer. Directors are Bill Fly, Bill Mullen, A. C. Strickland, Jr., and Sam Huston.

Elected to honorary membership was Chaplain Wade K. Tome of Hondo Air Base. Bill Jaeger was added to the roll as a new member.

The social hall of the base chapel, courtesy of Chaplain Tome, is the new meeting place of the Jaycees.

A definite community project will be undertaken at their next meeting at 7:30 P. M. Wednesday night, July 15th.

Five Car Collision In Natalia

NATALIA—Five cars were involved in an accident on Highway 81 Friday noon in front of the Williams Insurance Agency, when a big tractor-trailer belonging to Ace Welding & Machinery Co., of San Antonio, driven by James Mercer, swerved to miss a pickup truck coming out onto 81 from the east.

Three cars were parked in the front of the Williams Agency, belonging to Ted Williams, Blake Williams and Fred Schneider. Ted Williams' car got the worst of the accident. When brakes were applied to the heavily loaded trailer, the truck jack-knifed and hit Williams' car, knocking it into the others. The pickup escaped uninjured.

Total damage was estimated around \$630.00 according to Blake Williams, a member of the Williams Agency, and no one was injured.

Ted Williams had gone out to his car to go to lunch, when he thought of some papers he had left in the office. Williams went back for them, and while inside the building the accident occurred.

HAB FLIES 12,730 HOURS

Lt. Colonel Samuel S. Williamson Jr., Hondo Air Base Commander, and John Cape, Executive Vice President, Texas Aviation Industries, Inc., jointly announced recently that aircraft at Hondo Air Base flew 12,730 hours during the month of June which represented the maximum flying hours during a single month since re-activation of the base in 1951. Colonel Williamson in his statement said, "Each month during the past three months Hondo Air Base has set a record in monthly flying hours. The high record in June was particularly outstanding in view of the fact that only two minor accidents occurred during that period. The significance of this achievement can be readily seen when it is pointed out that the hours flown during June is the equivalent of nearly a year and one-half of flying time for one aircraft flying 24 hours a day." Colonel Williamson further commented that this flying record was the direct result of the outstanding work on the part of maintenance, training, and operations personnel of Texas Aviation Industries, Inc.

WILLIAM STEIN DIES IN HONDO

William Stein of Route 9, San Antonio, died in the Medina Hospital at the age of seventy-three. Mr. Stein was buried in Boerne on Sunday.

COUNTY AGENT REPORTS TIME TO PLAN FOR '54

Now is the time to make plans and preparations for the 1954 crop is told by C. B. Gaston, County Agent. Of course the 1953 drought decreased crop yields by a large margin, but the farmer must always be looking forward to the years when all conditions will be ideal for producing a bumper crop.

If your soil is not in the best condition to hold its maximum amount of water when the rains fall, you can look forward to other crops. In the areas of the southwestern part of Texas where the average rainfall is barely sufficient to produce crops without irrigation any water that is lost from the soil will only reduce the production that much. The only way the soil can be so conditioned is to break up the top-soil and sub-soil so the water will penetrate deep enough to provide storage for the dry spells that will follow.

A deep rooted legume is ideal way to perform this act in that it penetrates the sub-soil with its deep tap root and when the plant is turned under the deep roots provide open areas that will allow the water to go into an underground storage basin.

Another accepted method followed in many areas is to break up the sub-soil mechanically with 16 to 18 inches to get best results. This practice will make a large number of cracks in the sub-soil that will also allow better water penetration.

a chisel type of implement. In order to get maximum benefits from this practice the ground should be broken to a depth of

THE WEATHER

Date	H	L	Rain
July 2	99	73	0.00
July 3	101	74	0.00
July 4	101	76	0.00
July 5	102	75	0.00
July 6	103	75	0.00
July 7	102	75	0.00
July 8	104	72	0.00

PARKS

By Bill Berger

Winkler called me Thursday to say that he got a new car from his used car lot last week. Early in the morning—we got the car earlier than normal on account of the 4th of July. He got a new car from a lady who wanted to get rid of it. He had a little better one than the one she had inquired about like we keep telling

Electric Co-op To Hold Annual Meet

Annual meeting of the Medina Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be held in the School Gymnasium in Saturday, July 11, to discuss upon the following report of officers, directors and committees.

The election of three directors of the Cooperative.

Other matters which may come before the meeting or any committee thereof.

Registration will begin at 12:00 noon. The business meeting will begin at 2:00 P. M.

Preparation for the election of directors scheduled for

this meeting as per instructions of the by-laws of the Cooperative, the following list of members of the Cooperative have been nominated for directors by the nominating committee appointed by the present Board of Directors, pursuant to Article III, Section 3, of the By-laws of the Cooperative:

Three-year term (3 to be elected)

A. J. Hardt

O. T. Boeker

T. J. Gilliam, Sr.

There have been no additional nominations made by petition, and none may be made from the floor. Proxies for the meeting may be named by members.

TWO MEN INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Garza and Joe Navarro were hurt when they made a sharp turn onto Highway 90 causing their car to go off the bluff by the Hondo. The road cuts over from Highway 90 and comes out of the bluff. The bluff the men went over is about 20 feet high.

Who was driving stated that he was familiar with the road and failed to make the turn. There was a total loss. Both men were released from the hospital.

TWO ACCIDENTS IN NATALIA OVER HOLIDAYS

NATALIA — Accident No. 1 in Natalia over the holidays involved an unidentified man. His car struck the banister of the bridge south of Natalia; no one was hurt.

Accident No. 2 occurred when Spot Morris hit a cow belonging to John McCoy while driving a pickup truck on Highway 81 near the Natalia Courts early Friday morning. No one was hurt but around \$245.00 damages were done to the pickup. The cow moved away under her own power seemingly not much the worse off for the experience.

Life Begins At Seventy NATALIA—Little Dan Cupid's latest efforts in Natalia paid off Monday noon when Mrs. Cora Philpot, 84, became the bride of Jack Ballard, 72, in a quiet ceremony in the County Judge's office in Hondo with Judge Arthur Rothe officiating.

They will continue to live in Natalia.

Castroville Postal Receipts Show Gain In '53

Postmaster Otto Naegelin reports a gain of \$13.16 in postal receipts for the first six months of 1953 as compared to the same period in 1952. The first quarter of '52 totalled \$1215.75; the first quarter of '53 was \$1221.01; the second quarter of '52 was \$1140.60 and the second quarter of '53 was \$1221.01.

The combined total of '52 was \$2356.35; for '53, \$2369.51.

WE WANT ALL THE NEWS

The Anvil Herald wants to remind everyone that this is their newspaper. We want news of you, what you're doing, where you're going.

Either send it to your correspondent, or phone her, or send it directly to the editor in Hondo.

YOUTH AFTER ILLNESS

Services were held on Sunday for Jack Mangum, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mangum of Devine, who died on July 6 in San Antonio. Jack had been suffering from a disease, and had been ill for almost a year.

Funeral services were held on Sunday at 2:00 P. M. at the Devine home. He is survived by three brothers, Wesley, Sherrill and two sisters, Betty and Elizabeth, as well as his

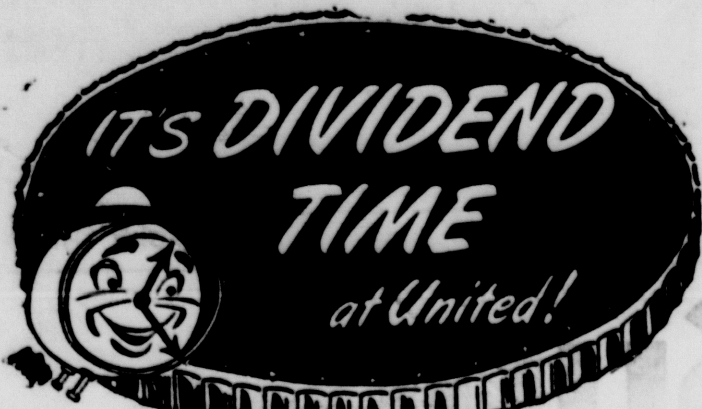
WARTUNG SUFFERED HEART ATTACK

Wartung suffered a heart attack while he was mowing his yard Sunday morning, July 6th, at 3:30.

He is in Medina Hospital. He is expected to be at his father's home in Hondo.

NOTICE Reverend M. C. Hoermann will be the visiting pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 8 P. M. this Sunday.

High school will be at 9:30



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CAPT. MANGOLD RETURNS HOME FROM KOREA

By Mrs. Otto Jungman

LACOSTE — Capt. Clyde H. Mangold has been in SA on a 30-day leave after 9 months in Korea. Captain and Mrs. Mangold will leave Monday morning July 6th, for Ft. Belvoir, Va., where Captain Mangold will be stationed.

M&M Wm J. Engelbrecht and son, Barry J. of SA and Capt. and Mrs. Clyde H. Mangold of SA and Mrs. Ida Jungman enjoyed a pleasant evening in the home of M&M A. N. Mangold at Cliff, Wednesday evening.

Guests in the Bru Miller home in Hondo Sunday were M&M W. J. Engelbrecht and son and Mrs. M. A. Mechler of SA and Mrs. Otto Jungman of LaCoste.

Little Miss Linda Ray Ball of near Lytle, is the guest of her friend here, Ruby Mae Atkins, for the week.

Greetings from M&M Egon Hoeke and son, Billy, of near LaCoste, who are spending a vacation in Corpus Christi were received stating that they were having a nice time and will soon be back home.

Mrs. Marny Mangold and Mrs. Ida Jungman spent several days in SA last week visiting relatives. M&M Arnold Richerzer and

SHARP FAMILY HAS REUNION

The sons and daughters of the late John A. and Laura V. Sharp originally of Smiley, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharp on Saturday, July 4th, for a reunion.

O. C. Sharp of Waco was the chairman of the meeting. Mrs. Jack Sharp was appointed recording secretary and treasurer of the group. It was decided to make July 4th, the regular meeting date and that the Jack Sharp home would be the permanent meeting place.

The oldest member of the family present was Mrs. Claude Smith of Premont and the youngest member was Master Kyle Koch of San Antonio.

Those present besides Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharp were: from San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Koch and sons, Mike and Kyle; from Kingsville, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sharp and grandson, Donny Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Custer and daughter, Jo Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Custer, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Custer and son, Jonny, from Ricardo, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nix and children, Marvin, Ronny,

daughters from Corpus Christi are spending their vacation with his mother, Mrs. Katie Reicherzer and other relatives from here.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

HONDO Anvil-Herald
Hondo Texas
Dear Editor-

There is nothing much that the city government can do about the condition of the homes and domiciles in Hondo. The city government does not own all the homes and domiciles in Hondo as yet. But the City does own the streets and by-ways in the city limits, and has assumed responsibility for street repair and the maintenance. The city has a full complement of administrative officers costing the taxpayers between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars, approximately, per annum.

Still ever since my boyhood here in Hondo, most of the streets away from the center of town were in a state of repair and

Leon, Fayola, and Dwayne; from Austin, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tipton; from Waco, Mrs. George Custer, Mr. and Mrs. George Custer Jr., and son, George Walter, Mrs. J. R. Kimbrough and son, David, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sharp and daughter, Barbara, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stringer; from Premont, Mrs. Claude Smith and Mrs. Riley Weston; from Runge, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wofford and son, Joe Pat.

maintenance that was even worse than the most neglected farm-to-market roads.

It seems that our city government does not have uppermost in mind, the repair and maintenance of our city streets. It would rather try to dress up a small portion of the town with parking meters; notwithstanding that the operation of those parking meters has driven away trade and has caused many Hondo merchant to lose money, and forced them into the defeatist practice of higher mark-ups to make up the loss. Of course, those high mark-ups drive still more trade away from the park-metered area north of the tracks.

A few short weeks ago, in an election, the majority of Hondo qualified voters decided against the retention of the parking meters. Of course, the tax collector boxes have been taken off the posts, but I doubt whether these have already been returned to the parking meter company.

There seems to be a strong conspiracy afoot, to pull a Cuero on

HERE IN HONDO

M&M Victor E. Kleppe and children, Ralph Terry and Marlene of Manitowac, Wisconsin are visiting M&M Adolph Graff and Ralph.

M&M Merlin Heyen, M&M Clarence Wernette and another couple from Laredo are spending the week in Colorado.

Hondo, slap the tax collector boxes on the posts again and legalize the installation by city ordinance.

This conspiracy insists, by means or foul, to nullify the election, to go against the will of the majority, and refuse to abide by constitutional processes.

Does our Constitution permit such shenanigans against our city's electorate?

If this election is not abide by, how can the citizens of Hondo ever be sure that our city constitution will govern its progress?

Yours for better streets and byways, and less frills and furbelows.

E. W. BRUCKS.

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Medina Valley Auxiliary 8134 Makes Report

The Medina Valley Auxiliary 8134 held their regular meeting on July 2, 1953, with president, Edith Bauerlein, presiding. Bills were presented and paid. Kittie Marie Atkins and Commander Chas. R. Bauerlein of District No. 11 were escorted in the room, and each gave a very interesting talk about the VFW Auxiliary Convention in San Antonio. It was decided that \$20.00 be sent to Alta Lee Duryea, secret-

HERE IN HONDO

M&M Louis Geuea were Sunday dinner guests of M&M Oscar Leinweber and family. M&M M. F. Wiemers of San Antonio were guests of M&M Robert Schulte on Sunday. Malvin Schulte spent the 4th of July weekend as the guest of his parents, M&M Robert Schulte.

Robert J. Schulte returned to Longview Sunday after spending his vacation and 4th of July weekend with his parents, M&M Robt. Schulte. M&M Leo Laake and daughter, Kay, went to Galveston over the 4th of July and returned to Hondo on Monday.

ary and treasurer of the Department of Texas, to help pay on the Apache Belle's fund. These girls are going to be in the National Parade in Milwaukee, Wisc. on August 2-7.

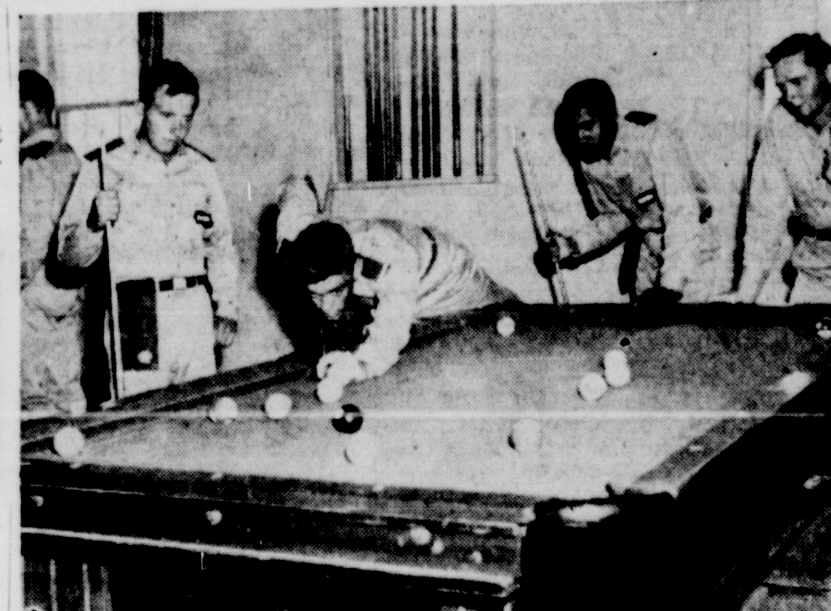
Auxiliary President Edith Bauerlein was allowed money for her registration fees, as she is the only auxiliary member to attend. She will go as a delegate. New cabinets are to be made during the next month in the auxiliary kitchen.

VFW Post 8134 members of LaCoste attending the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary State Meeting in San Antonio last week were Mr.

and Mrs. A. C. Atkins. Last day of the Encampment, Mrs. Atkins was installed as President of District No. 11. District No. 11 Commander and Mrs. Chas. R. Bauerlein, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Weiblen, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Frangier, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Balmos, Arthur Haass, Mrs. A. P. Parma and son, Marion Keller, Marion Salzmann and Miss Agnes Echtle, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Salzmann. All enjoyed the Encampment. Next year it will be held in Fort Worth and all are looking forward to going.



Cadets photographed in their club at one of their regular Saturday night dances. Seen at center is Inell Renken dancing with a cadet.



A group of cadets photographed in the recreation room of the Cadet Club at Hondo Air Base.

93 Members Of Koch Family Meet At Reunion

The M. M. Koch family celebrated its 27th annual reunion on the Ben Koch ranch. There were ninety-three members of the family present and fifteen guests. It was decided by the family that the reunions from now on would be held at this same place, Ben Koch's ranch.

Those attending the reunion were Mrs. Alvin Koch, D'Hanis; T. E. Koch and son, Mr. and Mrs. Newell Woods, Jr., Hondo; Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Koch and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Koch and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolff and family, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Rohrbach, D'Hanis; Mr. and Mrs. Alf, J. Rohrbach and son, Hondo; Mr. and Mrs. Seth H. Mitchell and daughters, Baytown; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rohrbach, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rohrbach and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Rohrbach and family, Hondo, Aug. M. Koch, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Koch and son, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fillinger and son, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nester, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nester and family; Mrs. Howard Hyman, Mrs. Albert Saathoff Jr., D'Hanis, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nester and son, Uvalde; Mrs. William E. Turner and daughters, D'Hanis; Mrs. Milton J. Turner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Zerr and son, Mrs. William O. Stovall and son, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Turner, Jr. and family, Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Koch and daughter, D'Hanis, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Flusche and family, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Langfeld and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Koch and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koch, Mrs. Matt Koch, D'Hanis.

The following guests were also present: George Spencer, San Antonio; Mrs. Theresa Koch, Carol Ann Finger, Margaret Mueller, Clayton Nester, John Ney, Joe Langfeld, D'Hanis; Miss Lurine Schweers, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Eckhart, W. E. Berger, Hondo; and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koch and daughter, of Wewoka, Okla.

Noonan-Pearson

By Mrs. Louis Stein
NOONAN PEARSON — M&M Roy Tschirhart and baby, Linda Kay, were at SA Friday. M&M Adolph Ihnken were at Castroville Sunday. Allen Ihnken of SA visited his father, L. P. Ihnken, Wednesday evening. M&M George Echtle and daughter, Agnes, visited M&M Roy Tschirhart and family Friday. M&M Hilmer Bendele and children of SA spent the weekend in the Alex Tschirhart home. Leroy Stein spent several days at Castroville with the Richard Steins. Mrs. Roy Tschirhart and children were guests in the Albert Tschirhart home Saturday.

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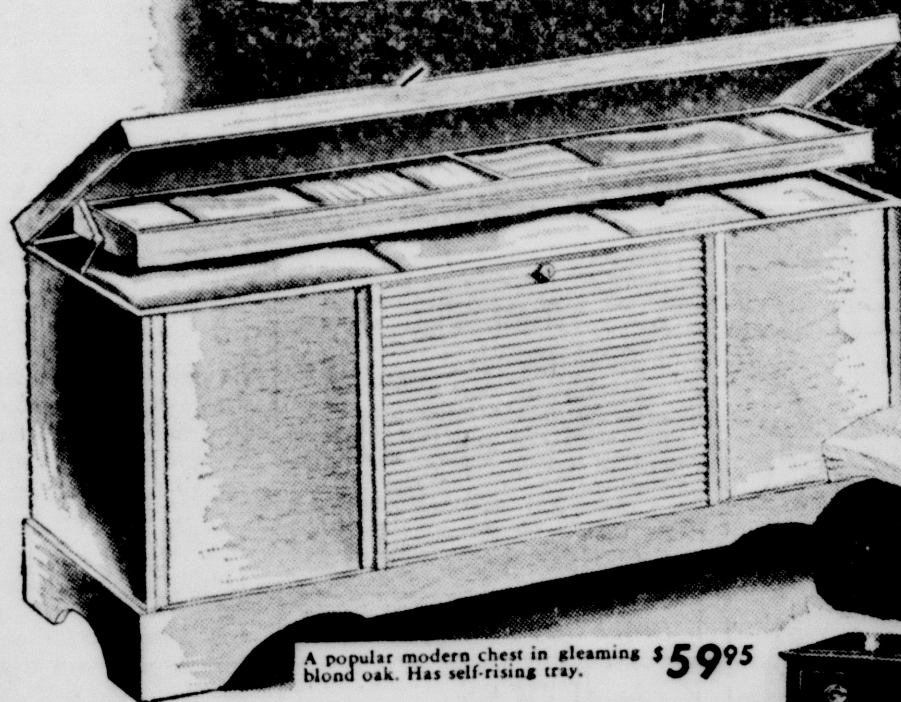
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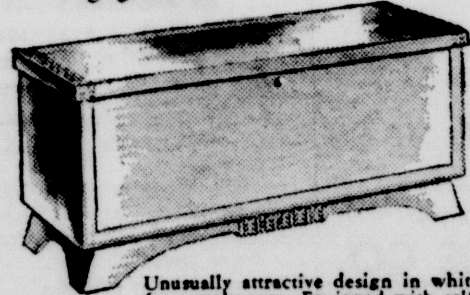
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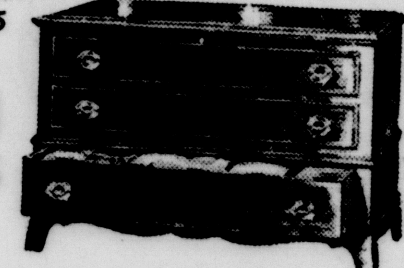
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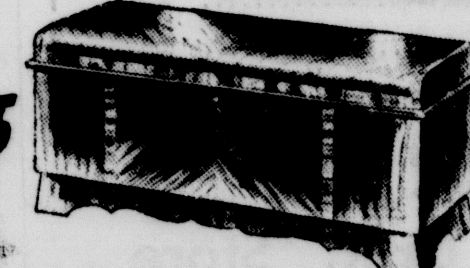
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BECK FAMILY ENTERTAINS ELLIS WURZBACHS FROM FORT WORTH

By Mrs. Clarence M. Huegele
RIO MEDINA — M&M Ellis Wurzbach and family of Fort Worth spent several days with M&M Albert Beck and daughters and Mrs. Rosa Biediger. M&M Wurzbach also attended the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. Wurzbach's brother and wife, M&M Milton Wurzbach, in SA. The Milton Wurzbachs renewed their wedding vows in St. Mary's Magdalene Church Friday evening July 3, 1953. The couple held an outdoor reception at their home.

M&M Joe Meyer and daughters, Margaret Lynn and Carol Ann, and Mrs. Alex L. Haby of Hondo visited M&M O. W. Huegele Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Lieber of Castroville, Miss Freddie Lieber, Sharon and Francis Hohl of Houston and M&M Emmett Wurzbach and family enjoyed swimming and a delicious picnic lunch afterwards Wednesday evening at the Huegele's picnic grounds.

Susan, Elizabeth and Jimmie Wurzbach, children of M&M Ellis Wurzbach, are going to spend the remainder of the summer with their grandmother, Mrs. Alfred Rihn, here.

A. C. Wurzbach II and W. L. Pittman of Del Rio attended the wedding of Arline Lindsey and Ray Williams at the Lady of the Grace Church at LaCoste, on the 4th of July.

M&M Shankle of Louisville, Kentucky, spent several days last week with M&M Emmett Wurzbach and family. Mr. Shankle and Mr. Wurzbach were stationed at Camp Swift together while in the Army in 1945.

Mrs. Clarence Huegele and sons Colvern and Morgan, were in Castroville Wednesday. While there they visited Miss Ruth Lawler, and enjoyed looking at some of her antique pieces she has in the Village Exchange on the Landmark Inn grounds.

Visiting Mrs. Quintin Haby and daughter, Thursday, were Mrs. William Bohl, Miss Florentina Bohl of LaCoste and Alice Ray Salzman of Pearson.

The infant son of M&M Glenn Keller was baptized Sunday, July 5th, in the St. Louis Church at Castroville, with Rev. Dean J. Lenzen, officiating. The name

given the baby was Glenn William and sponsors were Leroy Keller and Miss Judy Rihn.

Mrs. Ottine Holse and daughter, Rae Nell, of SA and John Zimmerman of Houston visited the Theodore Wurzbachs one day last week.

Sunday supper guests of M&M Walter Stein and sons, and M&M Glenn Keller and son were: Mrs. Reba Keller and son, Emmett, of LaCoste, and M&M J. C. Rihn and family of Devine. After supper guests were M&M Armin Boehme and family.

Mrs. Robert E. Haby is on the sick list this week from an insect bite on her foot which is very swollen and she is unable to be about on it.

Mrs. Reba Keller and sons of LaCoste, Mrs. Ferdinand Tschirhart of Castroville and Mrs. Joseph Lindsey of SA visited M&M Walter Stein and Mrs. Glenn Keller and son Friday night.

Franklin Stein spent Friday morning with Walter Stein Jr. M&M James Lutz are vacationing in Corpus Christi this week. Their children, Kenneth and Claudia, are staying with M&M Julius Hutzler while their parents are gone.

Visiting M&M Walter Stein and sons and Mrs. Glenn Keller and son on Saturday were M&M Joe Sittre Jr., and family, and Mrs. James Lutz and daughter, Claudia, all of SA.

Mrs. Alfred Rihn has returned from her trip to California, and Colorado. Mrs. Rihn says she enjoyed every minute of it and had to wear a coat and sometimes a woolen suit and a top coat while on her trip.

M&M Fred Rihn and family visited M&M Walter Stein and sons and M&M Glenn Keller and son Wednesday night.

In Castroville Monday were M&M William Bourquin and Mrs. Clarence Huegele and sons and Eugene Schott and Martin Haby. Mrs. Randolph Koch and daughter, Betty Jean, Mrs. John Lloyd Zuercher and children, and Claudia Salzman all of LaCoste spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Walter Stein and sons and Mrs. Glenn Keller and son, Glenn William.

Mrs. Quintin Haby and daughter, Janelle, visited Mrs. Haby's sister, Mrs. Raymond Salzman, and infant son in the Castroville Hospital Wednesday afternoon.

The Ervin Bourquins are enjoying their vacation this week.

M&M Winfred Haegelin of Castroville spent Friday with M&M Joe F. Haegelin.

M&M Joe W. Steinle and son, Kenneth, were at Schulenburg visiting relatives there and on their return home stopped to visit M&M Carl Steinle and family. Carl had the misfortune of falling and injuring his back and is slowly recovering from the fall.

The Little League baseball players are putting in a lot of practice time.

Miss Freddie Lieber of Houston who has been visiting in Castroville, Rio Medina, and SA returned home to Houston Thursday. She was accompanied by Misses Sharron and Francis Hohl and Mrs. Fred Lieber of Castroville.

Mrs. Cora Sittre had as her dinner guests Sunday M&M Leon Groff and daughter, Charlotte, of Castroville, M&M Stanley Becker of Route 9, SA.

M&M O. J. Schuehle of SA visited M&M Joe W. Steinle and son and Misses Katy and Clara Wurzbach of Route 4 of SA one evening last week.

Mrs. Alexandria Ahr of Pipe Creek is spending the week with M&M R. E. Haby.

M&M Dan Burrell and sons visited M&M Jack Boehme Saturday evening.

M&M Olen Haby and son visited M&M Alfred Rudinger and M&M Maurice Nester at D'Hanis on the 4th of July.

M&M Alton Stein visited M&M Olen Haby and son Sunday evening.

M&M S. A. Tschirhart of Pipe Creek attended the 4th of July celebration at Castroville and were overnight guests of M&M Alton Stein.

M&M R. E. Haby, Mrs. Alexandria Ahr, Mrs. Quintin Haby and daughter, and Mrs. Arthur Haby and son were Hondo visitors Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Arthur Haby and son returned home after spending the past week with M&M George Karm and daughter.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MEDINA

NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Medina County, Texas, on a judgment of foreclosure rendered in said Court on the 1st day of June, 1953, in favor of Emon A. Smith and against he said Syble E. Greenway, a feme sole, in the case of Emon A. Smith against Syble E. Greenway, No. 4555 in such Court, I did on the 2nd day of July, 1953, at 4:00 o'clock, p. m., levy upon said described property or tracts of land situated in Medina County, Texas, as the property of said Syble E. Greenway, to-wit: Ten acres, more or less, all out of the San Antonio Trust Subdivision of Lands in Medina County, according to the plat thereof of record in Volume 2, on page 1, "Plat Records of Medina County, Texas, described in two tracts, as follows: First tract: 2.22 acres, comprising a portion of Lot No. 14-A, in Block No. 6; and Second tract: 7.78 acres, comprising a portion of Lot No. 15-A, in Block No. 6, all of said San Antonio Trust Subdivision of Lands in Medina County, Texas. And that on the 4th day of August, 1953, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock, a. m. and 4 o'clock, p. m. on said day, at the courthouse door of said Medina County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said Syble E. Greenway in and to said property as of November 1st, 1947.

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Bible Class Of 1st Christian Church Meets

By Mrs. E. R. Littleton

DEVINE — The Adult Bible Class of the First Christian Church met Wednesday evening, July 1 in the home of M&M J. E. Gardner for the monthly class meeting. A short business session was conducted by the vice president, Mrs. Gardner.

At the conclusion of the business meeting the class teacher Joy L. Tilley, gave a few pointers on how to read and study the Bible. He also read some pertinent quips on members of the class.

The hostess served delicious refreshments during the social hour to eight guests.

The W. T. Leatherwood family are home from a vacation trip in the Ozarks. They stopped off for a short visit with the Ber Yoder family who formerly lived here.

M&M H. G. Kilpatrick and children visited over the holiday weekend with his parents, the John Kilpatricks in Lexington.

M&M R. C. Howard Jr., and daughters, Beverly and Trudy, and Mrs. R. C. Howard, Sr., of Oklahoma City visited Tuesday night with the Tilley and Howard families. They were en route to Monterrey, Mexico, for a vacation trip with the O. E. Downs family of Houston.

Mrs. Homer Thompson of SA visited M&M G. T. Littleton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Day returned to Devine Friday, July 3rd from a month's vacation trip to the East. They visited Jasper, Ala., the "old home town" of Mr. Day, then went on to Washington for a week. In New York they visited with Mrs. Harry Clark, formerly Coronel Kercheville of Devine. They returned by way of Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Joyce Etta Mangun of SA has been visiting in the home of Mrs. Tom Griffin.

M&M Bill Wood, Virgil Bassett, and Glen Roberson spent the 4th in Kerrville.

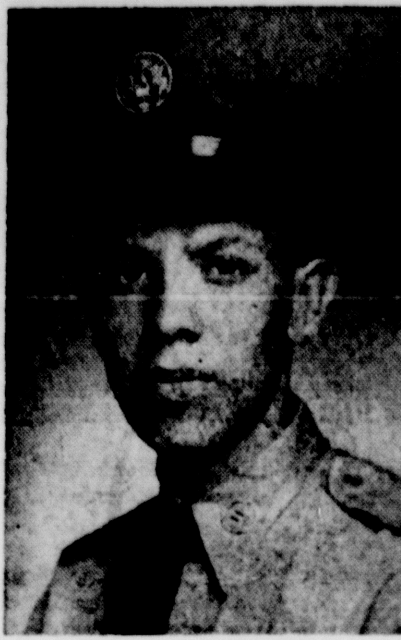
Joe Briscoe has returned to Devine after attending the Bar Association Convention in Fort Worth. San Antonio was selected for the 1954 site.

M&M D. C. Harper, M&M D. L. Harper, and M&M Elton Littleton spent the 4th of July in the home of M&M Calvin Hardt of Yancey.

The crowd that attended Church Sunday night at the First Baptist Church greatly enjoyed the colored slides of the Holy Land that Rev. Don Rose showed.

Mrs. Dan L. Harper received word Monday that her great-grandmother, Mrs. Keeling of Tyler, had passed away. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in Tyler.

SERVICEMEN



ANTONIO O. HERNANDEZ, 21 son of Mr. and Mrs. Esteban Hernandez, P. O. Box 562, Hondo, is completing his AF basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."

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JESUS D. LEYVA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ventura Leyva of Hondo, enlisted on Tuesday with the Airborne Infantry at Fort Bragg, N. C. LEYVA who is 24 entered the service on November 6, 1950 and served in Las Vegas, Nevada until he was released November 6, 1952.

Personal Appearance

MR. and MRS. ALBERT DORSEY and their two daughters, BARBARA and SUSAN of New York City returned to Texas with NONNIE and OLGA JENNINGS when the JENNINGS came back from a three weeks' vacation in the East. The DORSEYS will be here about three weeks. When traveling up there NONNIE had to stop by the side of the road due to such a heavy DOWN-POUR. NONNIE's first remark when he landed home, was "I saw rain." On their trip the JENNINGS saw STAN HOLLMIG in Louisville, then went up to TUCKER, JOHN COLESON, and the Hondo Junior Policemen. These men have worked hard and long so that the young 'uns here could play ball and eventually get League standing.

Thanks also go to the LOCAL SPONSORS for their financial support.

The men really responsible for the organization of the Little League in Hondo are WAYNE WALTERS, of TAI, ARNOLD MUSSMAN, JOHN TONDRE, VERN GRUNEWALD, J. L. TUCKER.

Presbyterians Hear Lecture Joseph, July 12

Next Sunday, July 12th, a time of a most interesting mon by the Minister of the Community Presbyterian Church, Natalia. He is going to speak on Predestination from the Bible. This is the clearest of the great Christian doctrine that spurs us on to for the Kingdom of God.

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 with the PYF meeting in the evening.

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Rock Stock Farm at Hondo recently sold a total of 13 bred Aberdeen-Angus cows.

The buyers were John B. Knippa, six cows, Cooper, Forney, Texas, and F. J. Wurzbach, San Antonio, three cows.

Mrs. Laura Jack Wins At Macdon Shooting Club

The Macdon Shooting Club held their monthly medal last Sunday.

Lawrence Manade was an winner in rest, as well as hand scoring 660 in rest and in offhand. Mrs. Laura Jack was an easy winner in the ladies division with a score of 663, also being high rest score for the day. Mrs. esa Neptwich took the ladies offhand with 183. L. Manade also scored a victory in the Bore Rifle Association of Texas at the match held at Macdon on June 21st, taking second in rest with a score of 1214, also second place in offhand.

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Martha Blum of San Antonio was the bride of Wilton Wilkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson of Devine, in a late evening double ceremony held in the home of Mrs. S. H. Wilkinson. Don Rose officiated at the ceremony.

After the meeting, Rook was played. Mrs. Lottie Nester won first prize, Mrs. Alvina Koch, second, Mrs. Mary Wolff, traveling, Mrs. Mae Koch, consolation, and Mrs. Mary Wolff, booby.
Mrs. Schuehle served jello with whipped cream, cookies, potato chips, and tea. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Jane Reiber.

Lutheran
Plan For Cream Social
The Ladies' Aid Society of the Lutheran Church, Castroville, will hold its monthly cream social at the Educational Building, 24th, at the Zion Lutheran Church, Castroville.
Refreshments consisted of ice cream and cake and favors were balloons, hats and toy music horns.

HEDGE
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DGE GROUP
B. Hedge entertained a bridge party at her home after noon, with twenty in attendance.
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Hermann Sisters Meet At Home Of Mrs. Schuehle

D'HANIS—The regular meeting of the Hermann Sisters was held at the home of Mrs. Nora Schuehle, with eighteen members present. Get well cards were sent to Mrs. Alma Carle and Mrs. Mary Haby.

After the meeting, Rook was played. Mrs. Lottie Nester won first prize, Mrs. Alvina Koch, second, Mrs. Mary Wolff, traveling, Mrs. Mae Koch, consolation, and Mrs. Mary Wolff, booby.
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Ernest Bendeles Honor Daughter Erna Lee Bendele

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bendele honored their daughter, Erna Lee Bendele on Thursday evening with a surprise party on their lawn.
After playing several games of cards refreshments of ice cream, cake and soda water were served to 32 guests.

Al Rath Marks Seventh Birthday

Al Rath celebrated his seventh birthday on the lawn of his home on July 2nd from six to eight o'clock in the evening.

After everyone admired the pretty gifts, games were played. Prizes were won by Diane Dyess, Nancy Taylor, Gary Finger and Johnny Zerr.

Refreshments consisted of ice cream and cake and favors were balloons, hats and toy music horns.
Guests included Frances Meyer, Nancy Taylor, Frieda Lee Rucker, Diane Dyess, Barbara Finger, Molly Ann Finger, Mary Ann Nehr, Gary, Charles and Mike Finger, Wayne Korbell, Johnny Zerr, John Tondre, Ronnie Taylor, Frank Rucker, Jack Hartung, Chris Rath, Mrs. Volney Boon, Mrs. Tom Finger, Mrs. Chas. Finger, Mrs. Raymond Finger, Mrs. Will Nehr, and Mrs. Frank Rucker.

MRS. SAATHOFF ENTERTAINS HOUSE GUEST

Mrs. Alfred Saathoff honored her house guest, Miss Hertha Weeber of San Antonio, with a party on Thursday afternoon.
Those present besides the hostess and honoree were: Mrs. Oscar Grell, Mrs. Walter Graff, Mrs. Herman Gerdes, Mrs. Ehme Saathoff and Mrs. Arthur Schulte. Refreshments served were homemade ice cream and cake.

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The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Ann Hutzler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Hutzler, Sr., and Leo J. Bendele, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bendele of Devine took place on June 13, 1953, in Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in LaCoste. Upon their return from their wedding trip, the couple will be at home in the Mangold apartment until their new home which is now under construction is completed.

HERE IN HONDO

New Babies
M&M M. M. Bohlen and David and Diane, and M&M Henry Bohlen and Gerry and Dennis left for their home in Bisbee and Warren, Arizona, after several weeks visiting M&M Walter Balzen and Ivy and Mrs. Ella Schweers and family. They also plan to spend some time in San Antonio and Fredericksburg and Corpus Christi visiting relatives and friends.
M&M Chester Heyen and Debbie and Mrs. Fritz Heyen visited the Bill Heyen family at Pasadena over the weekend.

Happy Birthday

Dan H. Bird, July 11
Ernest H. Muennink, July 11
Kenneth Chapman, July 16
Dr. Griff T. Ross, July 17
Johnny Hardy, July 17
Joylene Tiley, July 17
Mrs. J. W. Crow, July 17
Mrs. Herman Faseler, July 10
Louis Faseler, July 10
Janice Mechler, July 11
Roy James Tschirhart, Jr., July 15
Frank Mechler, July 15
Mrs. J. W. Yarbrough, July 16
Barbara Graff, July 7
Dorothy Cheney, July 7
Lee Roy Tondre, July 6

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Little PAM GRAY of Quihi created quite a bit of excitement on Monday morning when she fell from a swing and cut her head. The cut required 2 stitches, but all is well now and PAM is doing fine.

The ECHTLES are having a big family reunion in LaCoste on the 26th of July, in ECHTLE Park. Mr. PAUL ECHTLE came to the United States over seventy years ago from Gengenbach, Germany which is across the Rhine from Alsace. After landing in New York the ECHTLES came to Texas and eventually settled in LaCoste. MR. Paul has lived on the same farm there for over 50 years. He now has fourteen grandchildren. Three generations of the family dropped by to see us here at The Herald. They were MR. PAUL, his son ERNEST and his grandson JULIUS.

The SAM TSCHIRHARTS of Castroville and CHARLES BENDELES and son DAVID of San Antonio have just completed a 2500 mile tour through Arizona, Old and New Mexico. While in Arizona they visited with their uncle JOHN BENDELE and other kindfols now living there and also took in Carlsbad Caverns. They all report a wonderful trip.

The HENRY MERRIMANS have just returned from spending the holidays in Alvin where they got their first glimpse of their new grandson HENRY MERRIMAN WELLBORN who was born in Houston on June 23rd. Little "HANK" has a sister SHARON and a brother GARY. Parents are MR. and MRS. O. G. WELLBORN JR., Mrs. Wellborn was BETTY JEAN MERRIMAN.
LT. JAMES A. MILLS of Charlotte, N. C. stopped off to visit KAY LAAKE enroute to his new station in Detroit, Michigan.

The SETH H. MITCHELLS of Baytown were here visiting her parents, the ALFRED ROHRBACHS over the weekend. MRS. ROHRBACH returned to Baytown with the MITCHELLS for a two weeks' visit.

All of MRS. DAN MCCREA's friends are glad to see her back home after a few weeks in the hospital.

The GEORGE HEILIGMAN's swimming pool is turning out to be one of their friends' favorite meeting places. The HEILIGMANS entertained a whole group of people last Sunday with a swimming party.

ANNETTE NIXON of Yancey was among those who took off for the National FHA meeting in Ohio. The group which will be gone about two weeks, was accompanied by MRS. ROBERT FASELER, the FHA advisor.

Last week in our "Happy Birthday" column we failed to mention STERLY JAGGE's name, and just put in his twin brother STANLEY. The JAGGE twins are fast becoming famous with the baseball team at Castroville. STANLEY lives at Upper Quihi and STERLY lives at the Bader Settlement.

Cards received from SAM and LOUISE TSCHIRHART state they are having a marvelous time sight-seeing on their trip. They particularly enjoyed having no cows to milk, no chickens to feed, and a good chauffeur to just drive them around. Since they've

returned SAM has been finding rattlesnakes around his place. He killed one five feet two inches, fast asleep. It had thirteen rattles and some already broken off. SAM also killed another with seven rattles.

There's no one happier than the MARVIN BEALS who have just received word of their first and only grandchild CYNTHIA CECILE tiny daughter of MR. and MRS. J. B. ARROTT, MRS. ARROTT was TOADY BEAL.

First class scouts, RAYBURN CORDER and ALBERT VANCE left Wednesday to attend the Boy Scout National Jamboree at Irving Ranch in Southern Calif. They will be gone three weeks. Their troop is 159 of Hondo.

The ALLEN TILLOTSONS have just "christened" their fine new screened-in porch at their Medina Lake Cabin.

MARYANN and JIMMY BAILLEY, daughter and son of JAMES and REGINA BAILEY of Goliad are in Hondo visiting with their grandparents, the BILL NESTERS and the RAYMOND BAILLEYS.

HENRY and LAURA WINDROW, MRS. E. G. POPE and her guests MRS. MATTIE MITCHELL, MRS. LELIA RILEY and MRS. MILLIE PEGG of San Antonio, and the C. W. GILLIAMS have been attending the Baptist Encampment at Alto Frio. LAURA isn't due back in town until Thursday.

Seen at the Big Foot ex-students reunion held on Saturday, June 27th was CUSTER E. HUGHES of Lytle and G. D. WHITFIELD of Devine.
Spotted up at Medina Lake doing a lot of fishing over the 4th were the LACY CLAUDE GILLIAMS, and the EDWARD PRICES.

Carrying home prizes after AL RATH's seventh birthday party were DIANE DYESS, NANCY TAYLOR, GARY FINGER and JOHNNY ZERR.

At the M. M. KOCH family reunion it was PROCTOR DAVIS who did such a fine job of barbecuing. There were 93 members of the family gathered together for their 27th reunion.

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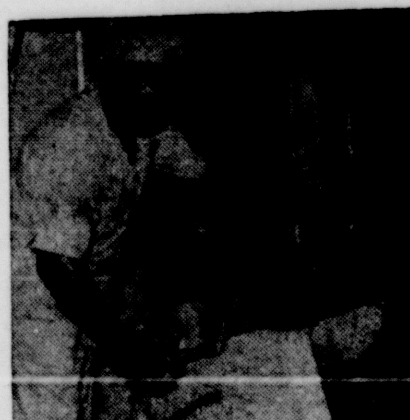
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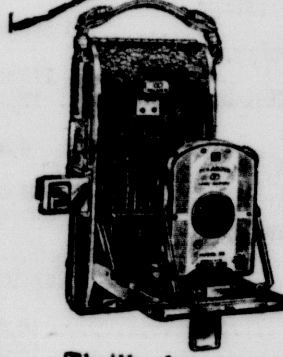
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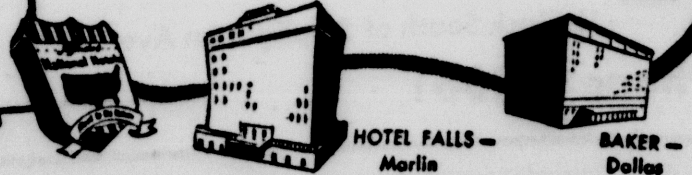
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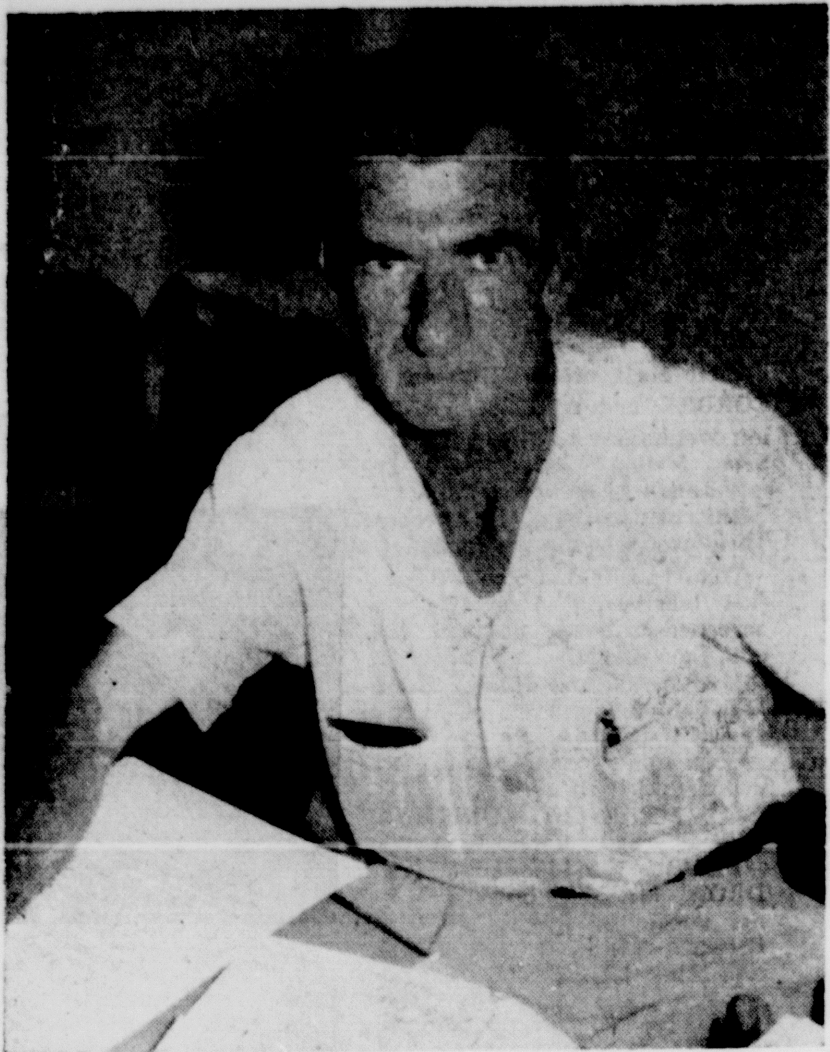
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Mr. Claud D. Hollis, Director of Materiel for TAI

Claud D. Hollis is the Director of Materiel for TAI of Materiel, Base. As Director of Materiel, Hollis is responsible for aircraft and automotive maintenance, and repairs. In this department there is the procurement and dispensing of nearly all materials along with the issuing of supplies for the operation of Hondo Air Base.

Claud D. Hollis was born in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and received most of his schooling in Tennessee.

When asked how he got started in this business, Hollis stated that he was "just a country boy, a farmer to start with," but when he reached the age of 19, he "left the farm and joined the Air Corps."

From the time he first joined up, Hollis has been primarily engaged in aircraft maintenance and supply. During his service in the Air Corps, he lived in the

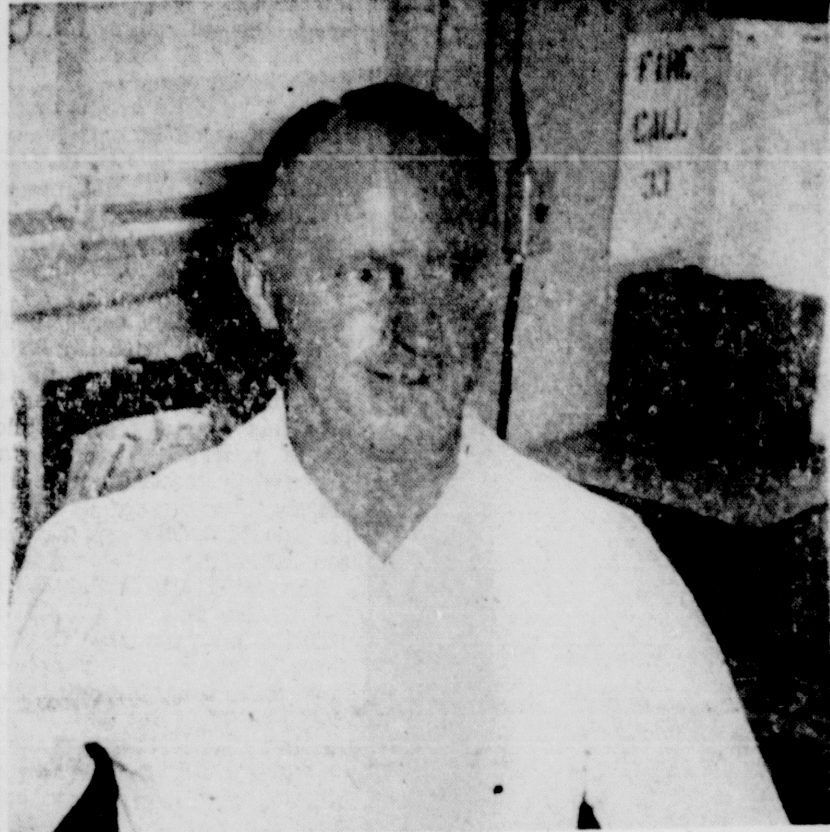
Philippines, Hawaii, and Germany.

After 30 years of service, Hollis was retired as a Major. From the Air Corps, he went to work for an investment company and stayed with that organization until the middle of June, 1951. In July of '51, Hollis went to work for TAI at Hondo.

Claud Hollis is married and has one daughter, Mrs. Stewart B. Ish who lives in California, and three grandchildren. Hollis is married to Virgie Reed of San Antonio. The Hollis family lives at 1344 Greer Avenue.

Hollis is a Past Master of the Masonic Order and a member of most officers' clubs at Air Force Bases in San Antonio.

When asked if he had received any honors or ribbons in his 30 years of duty, Hollis stated, just "routine ribbons."



Dyke F. Meyer, Director of Training for Texas Aviation Industries

Dyke F. Meyer is the Director of Training for Texas Aviation Industries at Hondo Air Base and one of the most lauded heroes to return from the European campaign.

As Director of training, Meyer is responsible for the flying, academic, link and physical training of aviation students at the Base. Working along with him are M. O. Haskins, in charge of flying training, and Paul Barker, in charge of academic, link and physical training.

This is the story of Dyke F. Meyer, a retired Colonel in the Air Force, now the Director of Training at Hondo Air Base.

Honorary Fraternity

Dyke Meyer was born in St. Charles, Missouri. He attended preparatory schools in Kirksville, Mo., and later finished at Washington University in St. Louis as an electrical engineer. While at the University Dyke was elected to the honorary fraternity for his profession, the Tau Beta Pi, and was also a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity.

Westinghouse Electric

Upon finishing at the University Meyer was chosen by Westinghouse Electric as a student-engineer. He stayed with Westinghouse in Pittsburg, for one year, and then went into the Air Force as a cadet at Brooks Field.

P-1 Fighter Pilot

Two years later Lt. Meyer was graduated from Kelly Field as a P-1 fighter pilot, and from Kelly was sent to Fort Riley, Kansas with an observation squadron. Meyer was then sent to West Point, N. Y.

Olympics

He was sent to West Point for the Olympic Pentathlon, a 5-event program scheduled for the olympics to be held that year. The Pentathlon included swimming, running, steeplechase, fencing and pistol-shooting. Meyer trained for the Olympics for one year and was later disqualified before the finals and sent to Barksdale Field, La.

West Point Instructor

After a tour of duty at Barksdale, Meyer was sent back again to West Point as an instructor in surveying and math. Upon completion of two years of teaching at West Point, he was sent to Maxwell Field in Alabama as an engineering and armament

officer, and then later to Kelly as an instructor in pursuit section.

Dyke was then sent to New Foundland as a Staff Officer where he remained for one and a half years, and then returned to Mitchell Field, New York as Staff Officer to train the 366th fighter group for overseas duty.

366th Fighter Group

Dyke Meyer was sent to a field about sixty miles West of London, where he spent about five months before he was sent to the Continent as a P-47 Group Commander. Some time after he changed jobs and was made Operations Officer for the 39th Tactical Air Command where he remained until the spring of 1945 when he had an accident in which he lost his arm. Dyke returned to the states to Walter Reed hospital and was released from there in May of 1946.

American and Foreign Citations

Dyke Meyer was a full Colonel at the time of his retirement, and had been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Bronze Star. He was honored by Belgium with the Belgian Order of Leopold, the Belgian Croix de Guerre, the French Croix de Guerre, the Luxembourg Croix de Guerre, the Russian Medal of Merit and the British Distinguished Flying Cross. He was also awarded the purple heart.

Upon his retirement, Dyke Meyer returned to a little house which he had bought in Comfort, Texas. The house is located on seventeen acres of land, four miles outside of town. He tried raising chickens, but in May of '52, Dyke was "called-up" to be the Director of Training for Texas Aviation Industries.

100 Missions, 2 Enemy Air Craft
Dyke Meyer has flown every type of pursuit plane built by this country; he flew 100 missions and was officially credited with two enemy air craft.

He is the son of Mrs. Anna Meyer who lives in St. Louis with his sister, Mrs. Theo Sterberg.

Col. Meyer has one brother, Edward C. Meyer, in Boston. As to his personal life Dyke Meyer mostly "just works" and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He lives in Hondo at 1203 26th Street.



Mr. Paul Bybee, Director of Base Operations

The Director of Base Operations is in charge of all base maintenance at Hondo Air Base.

Base maintenance includes all carpentry work, the upkeep of electrical equipment and plumbing. Janitorial service, painting and labor also are a part of this program. In addition the fire department, which employs around thirty-three men and six trucks, the guard section composed of 19 men and mess hall employees are a part of Base Operations.

Paul Bybee of Hondo is the Director of Base Operations.

Bybee was born in Louisville, Kentucky but ended up in Texas schools. Bybee, an engineer, served for three years in the U. S. Navy as a Chief Petty Officer.

Paul and Elaine Bybee have two sons, Larry aged six and Sammy aged 4. They are members of the First Methodist Church in Hondo. Bybee is also a member of the Hondo Lions Club, the Masonic Lodge and the Chamber of Commerce.

WARNING! DUMP GROUND CLOSED.

Beginning Monday, July 13th, 1953, the dump ground for garbage disposal of the city of Hondo, located about one mile north of Hondo, will be closed and locked, except on every Wednesday afternoon when it will be left open for those desiring to dispose of their garbage. This action of the City Council is necessary for health and sanitation reasons. People with garbage that they carry out to the dump grounds themselves leave their garbage at any and every place on the grounds, making it impossible to properly care for same by the city. Also, any person dumping or leaving garbage or refuse on a public road is liable to criminal prosecution under the laws of the State of Texas.

The City of Hondo

Report of Condition of the

LaCoste National Bank

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Reserve District No. 11

of LaCoste in The State of Texas, at the close of business on June 30, 1953.

Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS		Dollars	Cts.
1. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection		\$634,919.81	
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed		789,100.00	
3. Obligations of States and political subdivision		191,620.00	
4. Other bonds, notes and debentures		20,000.00	
5. Corporate stock (including \$2,250.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)		2,250.00	
6. Loans and discounts (including \$5.21 overdrafts)		201,405.86	
7. Bank premises owned \$4,680.00, furniture and fixtures \$2,207.00		6,887.00	
11. Other Assets		1,939.35	
12. TOTAL ASSETS		1,848,122.02	

LIABILITIES		Dollars	Cts.
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		1,599,560.02	
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		113,897.65	
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions		12,691.82	
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)		4,879.92	
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS		\$1,731,029.41	
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$1,731,029.41	

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS		Dollars	Cts.
25. Capital Stock:		\$25,000.00	
(c) Common stock, total par \$25,000.00			
26. Surplus		50,000.00	
27. Undivided profits		17,092.61	
28. Reserve (and retirement account for preferred stock)		25,000.00	
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS		117,092.61	
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS		1,848,122.02	

MEMORANDA		Dollars	Cts.
31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes		10,000.00	

State of Texas, County of Medina, ss:
I, A. P. Parma, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. P. PARMA, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
R. J. Mangold
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Directors

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of July, 1953.
John C. Biediger, Notary Public

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We join in honoring Texas Aviation Industries and the personnel of the U. S. Air Force as they begin their third year of operation. The outstanding training being offered our air cadets assures us of a strong air defense capable of coping with any aggressor.

Thanks to the personnel of TAI and the Air Force who have been very cooperative in helping us gather material for this edition.

It is our hope that this edition will help towards building a stronger unity between Hondo Air Base and the citizens of Medina County.

We will continue, as always, to do our part.

THE HONDO ANVIL HERALD

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Hondo Little League Schedule

The Hondo Little League, recently organized played their initial games Monday night at the Air Base Stadium. A large crowd was present to see the the Potential Owls and Hondo Braves make their start.

Every one from the Little Leaguers to the spectators seemed to enjoy the games, two of which were played.

Pitchers during the games were Butch Smith, Johnny Meyer, Johnny Zerr, Louis Schmitz, Cliff Sadler, and Sidney Mercer.

The Little League organization is comprised of boys 7 to 14 and is something that should be appreciated and supported by all who enjoy the great American game of baseball, as it gives the boys a chance to show their talent for the game, and also they get the benefit of good coaching by men who know and play baseball.

Team Titles: Team 1, Yanks; Team 2, Giants; Team 3, Cardinals; and Team 4, Braves.

The Hondo Little League schedule is as follows:

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 8, at 7:15 P. M.
Teams 4-2 and 3-1
Wednesday, July 15, at 7:15 P. M.
Teams 4-3 and 2-1
Friday, July 17, at 6:15 P. M.
Team 1-4
Wednesday, July 22, at 7:00 P. M.
Teams 2-1 and 3-4
Friday, July 24, at 6:00 P. M.
Team 2-3
Wednesday, July 29, at 7:00 P. M.
Teams 3-1 and 2-4
Friday, July 31, at 7:00 P. M.
Teams 4-3 and 2-1
Wednesday, August 5, at 6:00
Teams 4-1 and 2-3
Friday, August 7, at 7:00 P. M.
Teams 3-1 and 4-2

Hondo Junior Nine To Play Jefferson Legion Double Header Sunday

The Hondo American Legion junior baseball team will play the Jefferson Legion team of San Antonio in a double header here at the Hondo High school ball park Sunday afternoon at 2.

Hondo manager, J. G. Barry, won the flip in San Antonio Tuesday night, capturing the double header for Hondo, plus all the gate receipts. He says that's the way they wanted to flip, and so that's the way it will be.

Hondo had just downed the Tippis-Grubbs Legion team 10-5 Tuesday in San Antonio, and this contest Sunday will match district champions.

Barry plans to start Harold Keller of Castroville for the first game, and will count on Harlan Wolff of D'Hanis to hurl the second. Keller went all the way Tuesday.

With most teams finished in the Highway 90 league, Barry is expecting a big crowd Sunday. Admission has been scaled at 50 and 25c. The games are planned to run 7 innings each.

Rio Medina Girls To Open New Castroville Field

CASTROVILLE—The Rio Medina Girls Softball Team are scheduled to play their first game on Castroville's new softball field on Friday night, July 10th at 8 P. M. Florine Nickel is slated to take the mound.

The Rio Girls will face Potteet for the second time, having defeated them in the first round of league play, 10 to 7. They are the second in the league, having lost only to Devine, 12 to 10. Their record stands at 4 wins and 1 loss.

Last week the Rio Girls took the Hondo Hurricanes 3-0 in a thriller at the Hondo field.

Texas Business Stabilizing At High Level

AUSTIN — Sales volume in some parts of Texas continues above the national average, Dr. A. Hamilton Chute, University of Texas retailing specialist, reports.

While the boom has tapered off, business is stabilizing at a very high level, he adds.

New car sales are steady. An overstocked condition is being reached for electric refrigerators and other household appliances and production is being adjusted. Sales have slowed for television sets, home freezers, floor coverings and heavy furniture, but demand for other durable goods remains high.

Here In HONDO

While in Dallas Ben Crow had dinner with the Allan Websters. Mr. Webster was head of the USO here during World War II, and is now with that organization in big D.

M&M D. H. Fly had as guests over the weekend their daughters from Houston and SA, Rev. and Mrs. Stewart Clendenin and daughter Connie of Houston, and M&M G. L. Bishop of SA.

Bears Will Play Seguin Sports Here Sunday

The Hondo Bears will meet the Seguin Royal Sports here Sunday afternoon at the Village diamond. Included in the Bear lineup will be Tulo Perez, E. Barrios, Chale Hererra, M. Duran and J. Arcos.

HONDO HURRICANES DROP SECOND GAME TO RIO MEDINA

The Hondo Hurricanes dropped a 3-0 game to Rio Medina last Friday, for their second defeat during the first half of the schedule which ended this week. They have four wins to their credit.

Friday, July 16th, the Hurricanes will meet the Natalia Palaminos here.

LITTLE LEAGUE RESULTS

June 30 at Natalia
Natalia Lions 220 42 —10
Devine Tigers 521 001 —9
Winning pitcher: Lee; Losing pitcher: Gallegos.

July 2 at Devine (tie play-off)
Devine Cubs 021 000 05—8
Natalia Lions 110 100 00—3
Winning pitcher: Ambriz; Losing pitcher: Putman.

July 2 at Devine
Devine Cubs 268 01 —17
Natalia Lions 000 101 —2
Winning pitcher: Alexander; Losing pitcher: Sanchez.

July 3 at Lytle
Lytle Pirates 030 20 —5
Devine Cubs 000 002 —2
Winning pitcher: P. Alfaro; Losing pitcher: Ambriz.

League Standing (second half)
Teams W L
Lytle Pirates 3 0
Devine Cubs 2 2
Natalia Lions 2 2
Devine Tigers 0 3
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A. Cuellar (Pirate) 475
G. Black (Cub) 470
J. Olivares (Tiger) 434
A. Gonzales (Lion) 428
K. Schmidt (Tiger) 416
S. McDonald (Pirates) 414
A. Gallegos (Tiger) 410
Billy McDonald (Pirate) 392
P. Alfaro (Pirate) 384
L. Rihn (Cub) 384
B. Sollock (Tiger) 355
J. Putman (Lion) 352
R. Alexander (Cub) 351
L. Yarbrough (Tiger) 342

CASTROVILLE HAS NEW SOFTBALL FIELD

Castroville will initiate its new softball field on Friday night, the 10th of July.

The field is located on the school grounds just east of the school.

Rio Medina Tigers Swamp Hondo Braves 12 to 5

In the last game of the Highway 90 League schedule, Rio Medina swamped the Hondo Braves 12 to 5. The Tiger's victory left a first place tie between LaCoste and Rio Medina.

Rio Medina connected for 10 hits with 12 runs while the Braves gathered 9 hits, including a 2-run homer by Parsons, for 5 scores. But the Tigers had a big seventh inning when 4 free trips to first, 3 hits and an error allowed them 7 runs.

FINAL HIGHWAY 90 LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
LaCoste	11	3	.786
Rio Medina	11	3	.786
Castroville	10	4	.714
D'Hanis	8	6	.571
Hondo	7	7	.500
Quihí	4	10	.286
Macdonia	3	11	.214
Helotes	2	12	.143

LAST WEEKEND RESULTS

LaCoste 7—Quihí 3
Rio Medina 12—Hondo 5
D'Hanis 10—Southwest 1
Castroville 13—Helotes 3

Here In HONDO

M&M Leroy Miller have returned from a vacation trip to Washington, D. C. and North Carolina. They visited his sister in Washington and his parents in North Carolina, and traveled over the Skyline Drive in the Alleghany Mountains. They found the weather hot in the east.

Mrs. W. T. Hardy and sons, Billy and Jon, are visiting her parents, the H. V. Kileys at Flagstaff, Ariz., this week.

M&M Jack Hurst and daughters and Mrs. Eunice Hurst of Victoria, Howard Cude of Brady and Judy Pylant of Houston were weekend visitors in the home of M&M Cecil Schill.

Live Stock Report

Horse—Sold for Jesus Santos, Hondo, 1 mule, 870 lbs., 1.80. Sold for Wilford Zerr, D'Hanis, 1 horse, 1240 lbs., 1.80.

Hogs—Sold for P. C. Jagge, Hondo, 5 pigs, 7.75 head. Sold for Jim Brown, Sabinal, 2 hogs, 400 lbs., 25.25.

Goats—Sold for M. H. Burger, Hondo, 5 Sp. Kids, 4.75, head. Cattle—Sold for E. L. Angermiller, Hondo, 1 Blk Hef, 445 lbs., 16.10. Sold for Ralph Bilhartz, Devine, 1 W. F. Hef, 530 lbs., 9.50. Sold for Harry Hammel, Hondo, 1 Jer. Cow, 695 lbs., 5.60.

Tie Play-Off For Rio Medina And LaCoste, Sunday

As a result of a first place tie between Rio Medina and LaCoste, the two Highway 90 League teams will play off for first place next Sunday at LaCoste.

The regular league play-offs between Rio Medina, LaCoste, Castroville, and D'Hanis, will start Sunday, July 19.

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EDITORIALS And FEATURES

BIT OF PROGRESS

On this day of increased emphasis on retail selling we come businesses continually showing increases while in the same field fail to hold up to last year's totals. We have been told a logical explanation exists for this thing, and doubtless this theory holds true in retailing just as in everything else.

Customers are buying more merchandise today than they bought ten years ago. They are buying more of everything. But by the same token, they are expecting more. The number of 10 or 15 years ago was perhaps less receptive to services and new ideas in merchandising than his part of 1953.

In our opinion, we think the customer is served better in instances today than he or she was 15 years ago. People are for the most part better trained, and have a better knowledge of what they are selling. Even there are more sales being made nowadays, it is a better skilled sales person to understand all the requirements of the customer.

In this connection we'd like to pass along the best thing we've found of a CUSTOMER.

Here it is . . . and all of us can benefit from its wisdom:

WHAT IS A CUSTOMER?

A CUSTOMER is the most important person ever in business, either in person or by mail.

A CUSTOMER is not dependent on us . . . we are dependent on him.

A CUSTOMER is not an interruption of our work . . . the purpose of it. We are not doing him a favor by doing him . . . he is doing us a favor by giving us the opportunity to do so.

A CUSTOMER is not an outsider to our business . . . part of it.

A CUSTOMER is not cold statistics . . . he is flesh and blood.

A CUSTOMER is a human being with feeling and emotions like you.

A CUSTOMER is a person who brings us his wants.

Your job to handle them profitably both to him and to

-Claremore (Okla.) Progress

SWIMMING SAFETY . . .

While swimming as such, especially in a municipal pool comparatively safe, compared with that of swimming in a creek that may have unknown depths, rocks and currents, there are common sense practices that should be followed.

First of all don't go in swimming immediately after eating. Chances are they'll pull you out if you get stomach cramps, but it will upset you and your health will be affected.

Be careful in diving and wait until the area is cleared; never bathe before you enter the pool, not only as a sanitary measure, but to condition your body to the water.

Don't try to overdo a good thing. Don't spend three or five hours swimming or diving into the water — you'll end up having earaches and other pains and soon the swimming will wear off.

Learn how to swim, but as long as you can't, stay out of deep water until you learn how.

Virtually everyone who wants to badly enough, will have an opportunity to learn how to swim now that lessons are being given in the pool. Take advantage of this opportunity, for there will be times when you will not have a lifeguard at your elbow, a rope, or a pool's edge to hang on to.

Learning how to swim and enjoy the water can open up avenues of pleasure for you, not only in our own pool, wherever you may be when the call of the water beckons.

-Fredericksburg Standard



Prayer-Ethics AND Thrift!

AMERICA and its people did not become great through accident. A country founded on sound religious precepts, on a strong ethical base and following a program of conscious thrift must succeed as ours did. And an individual pursuing the same course will reach the same successful goal. Prayer, ethics, thrift — here is a program for all of us. We are proud that we too play a role in this program that is still making America and its people so successful.

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SECO PHILOSOPHER

WORDS CAN'T BRING DEPRESSION
OR END ONE IF WE DID HAVE ONE

Editor's note: The Seco Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm seems to be dealing words this week, of which he has an inexhaustible supply.

Dear editor:
I do not like to talk about hard times, there is a school of thought in this country which says mention of the word depression should be banned from public discussion, that it's sort of like yelling fire in a crowded theater, but I am not a member of that school.

In the first place, I do not consider times hard now, except where it's dry or two cattlemen are gathered together, and I figure it's pretty difficult to have a depression when things keep going higher and higher, with the exception of course of cattle, and in the second place, I do not believe anybody can talk this country into a depression any more than he can talk it out of one in case one shows up. This country is not so shaky that a few idle words can move it in any direction and neither am I, and on top of that I know I have never had to consult anybody to find out for myself whether times were good or bad. A man who doesn't know whether times are good or bad, he's in pretty bad shape to start with.

Therefore, I was considerably amused the other day when I picked up a copy of a newspaper which somebody had used to lie on while he put a jack under his car to fix a flat, I was aiming to get down there and help him change it but when I woke up after a short nap under a shade tree he was gone and read where a big city real estate man was

hopping mad because a farmer in East Texas had predicted a depression worse than the one we had before was on the way.

"What does that farmer know about such things?" he demanded, claimin the farmer ought to be silenced, and since nobody in his audience apparently answered him, I will.

That farmer doesn't know a thing about such matters.

But I would like to hasten to add, I don't mind hastenin as long as it's just to add something and you can do it without leavin the shade, that that farmer however is not by himself. There's a lot of real estate men in the same boat, along with a lot of other people.

The way I see it, there ain't hardly anybody who knows what times are gonna be like next year or the year after. We got lots of experts who can tell pretty satisfactorily what happened last year or the year before or ten years ago, but when it comes to knowin how business is gonna be twelve months from now, most experts, when you corner em, are busy doin something else.

Personally I'm in favor of free discussion. The man who goes around tellin himself times are gonna be good forever is about the same as the man in a depression who goes round sayin times are gonna be hard forever. Regardless of how it seems, some women ain't gonna talk forever, it ain't gonna rain forever or stay dry forever, but in some places and with some women it's gettin close to it.

Yours faithfully,

J. A.

Headlines & Footnotes

of
YESTERYEAR

10 YEARS AGO

Jerome Finger, Marine veteran of the Solomons fight, was home on furlough.

World famous magician, Blackstone, appeared at Hondo Air Base.

20 YEARS AGO

Many Medina County boys were joining the forestry army of CCC.

Milton Falkenburg completed his Divinity course at Warren Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa.

30 YEARS AGO

Albert Eckhart reported that

grasshoppers were very destructive in his neighborhood.

Mrs. Roy Carter and daughters and Miss Irene Haass were visiting relatives in Kansas.

The George Carles and Marvin Beals were touring the Rio Grande Valley.

40 YEARS AGO

Cliff Cullings: It has been raining here since Sunday evening. It has rained about 1½ inches, which will insure a good corn crop.

Indications are very good for more rain this evening. Let her come; it never rains too much in Texas.

Fritz DeGroot has begun the erection of a residence in the Fly Addition. H. F. Woods is doing the work.

Master Maurice Finger is spending the week with his cousin, Milton Batot.

"Hicks at College." On Thursday night, July 3rd, at the Auditorium, the rising young actors of the city will present the clever college play, "Hicks at College" under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society. The scenes are at a big Northern college and the plot centers around the important ball games of the season and a college boy who writes ads. To make things more exciting, a love affair is cleverly interwoven and all ends happily. In the play: as Adam Biddient, Oscar Taylor; Percy Robbins, Orenith Fly; Josh Anderson, Sterling Fly; Fluff Finely, Cecil Carle; and Flora Belle Delamartye, Mabel Holloway.

DOVES IGNORE
GRASSY AREAS

AUSTIN—Warden Tom Waddell of Eagle Lake has observed that mourning doves dislike to nest in trees under which tall grasses or weeds form dense ground cover.

He theorized in a report to the Director of Wildlife Restoration for the Game and Fish Commission, that the doves fear that their young will become entangled in the growth on leaving their nests and either perish or be caught by predators before they can learn to fly.

Colorado County where Waddell lives is noted for its heavy dove population.

He reported that a huisache mott near Garwood alternates from bare ground to short Bermuda grass and they find as many as fifty nests grouped close together.

Another mott with grass five to six inches tall has a few nests but still another mott in the same general area with grass and the weeds up to two feet high has no nests. Part of this area was short of its undergrowth by mowing and the doves began nesting there the very next day.

High Feed, Low
Cattle Prices
Ruining Industry

By Lyndon B. Johnson

CATTLE: Combination of drought, high-cost feed and low cattle prices has the Texas cattle industry in desperate shape.

A cattleman in Southwest Texas writes: "Cattle producers in Texas are doomed without some help immediately." A letter from a Panhandle cattleman says: "The people generally are scared, and this is true throughout the Panhandle area of Texas."

These are typical of the reports received in my office.

The cattle industry, so important to all Texas, faces difficult days.

HELP: I am working as hard as I have ever worked at anything to get help from the Federal Government for the cattlemen.

The most immediate need is for feed. There is literally no grass for grazing in the drought-stricken areas. Emergency supplies of feed must be made available to the cattlemen — at once.

Extension of additional credit facilities also is a must. The banks have extended as much credit to the cattlemen as they can. Yet more credit is the only hope of the cattle producers, who are trying desperately to stay in business.

Beyond these two measures, we must have a long-range program designed (1) to restore the industry to economic health and (2) to bring about more efficient conservation and utilization of our war resources.

This is not a political question. It is problem of national significance which must be met — and solved.

EXCESS PROFITS TAX: If the bill extending the excess profits tax is reported from committee to the floor of the House, and if the House passes it, and if it comes before the Senate for a vote — I will support the extension, as requested by President Eisenhower.

LIVING COST: Farmers are receiving lower prices for their products, but the cost of living hit a new high mark for the year in May. The consumers' price index for May was nine per cent higher than a year ago — 12 per cent above prices in June, 1950.

Farmers are being hurt by the lower prices they get for what they raise. Consumers apparently are not benefiting.

STATE DRAFT
BOARD SETS
YEAR'S QUOTA

AUSTIN — State draft boards are expected to furnish around 15,000 to 16,000 men for the armed forces during the next 12 months, as compared to more than 28,000 during the past 12 months.

That is the opinion of the deputy state director of Selective Service, Lt. C. O. I. Morris S. Schwartz. He said he expected this to hold true, regardless of whether or not there is a truce in Korea.

The armed forces see a need for 457,000 men from over the nation in the fiscal year, July 1953 through June 1954. Colonel Schwartz said. They think 150,000 men will enlist, leaving 307,000 to be drafted.

"The Texas share of this expected need of 307,000 normally would be 15,000 to 16,000 men," Colonel Schwartz stated. "Regardless of the situation in Korea, we expected a decline in monthly quotas this summer."

Texas draft quotas began to fall sharply in June, when the June quota was 38 percent less than the May quota. The deputy state draft director pointed out that the number of men drafted depends to a large extent on the number finishing service and getting out.

"We have just concluded a 12-month period," Colonel Schwartz said, "in which many men were completing their term of service. In the next 12 months, relatively few will complete service in comparison with the year before."

Texas draft board members will have to make an estimated 150,000 to 160,000 classifications in the next 12 months to furnish the 15,000 to 16,000 men, Colonel Schwartz said.

He stressed that changing international conditions or national policies could change the Texas draft picture.

Tests For Faster
Air Flight
To Be Explored

AUSTIN—Basic facts about aircraft which would fly at speeds as high as 6,000 miles per hour are the goal of new University of Texas research.

Fletcher Davis
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SOME RANDOM THOUGHTS

ON PEOPLE AND THINGS

AS HE VIEWS THE

PASSING SCENE

PARAGRAPHIC PUNCHES

As an example of well-meant—if not good—intentions that have gone wrong, we have but to remember that, as a part of America's nosey meddling in the affairs of foreign people, we have established and furnished 150 libraries in foreign countries. Ostensibly these libraries were to make available, to those who desired the information, a knowledge of America's manner of life and our system of free enterprise. With such a purpose in view, one wonders where any discussion of Communism, pro or con, would have a place. Now it develops that among the multitude of books being furnished and serviced at the American taxpayers' expense there are 30,000 books by some 250 Communist authors being circulated. These books, being by Communist authors, obviously are not scientific treatises on what Communism is, such as Mr. Eisenhower says we must read if we are to be informed, but are Communist propaganda aimed specifically to destroy the very things the libraries are supposed to promote. To what depths of imbecility has American statesmanship(?) degenerated? How long must a patient people tolerate such maladministration on the part of its public servants?

Judged by results, Uncle Sam is a poor business man. Postal authorities are planning to ask Congress for an "across-the-board hike in postal rates in an effort to wipe out an estimated \$34,259,000 post-office deficit." Nothing is said about turning part of the parcel post burden back to the express companies, where it belongs as a privately owned business, but the proposition to economize by abolishing the Congressional free mailing privilege is scorned because it amounts to a cost of "only a little more than a million dollars a year" and "that is a mere flea bite in the light of the total deficit." A raise of first-class postage from three to four cents is preferred. If adopted, every time thereafter when you lick a stamp you will have the satisfaction of knowing you are contributing one cent to help take the "flea-bites" out of the postal deficits. Don't, by any means, remember with resentment how the administration is slipping up on its promises of retrenchment and economy!

State Observer of Austin laments the situation, as it sees it, that "the official party machinery of the Democratic Party of Texas is completely in the hands of people who repudiate the National Party platform, reject its candidates and vigorously supported the Republican nominees."

We submit that the Observer is crying on the wrong side. A careful weighing of all the facts and considering all the angles should convince anyone that in going all out for Trumanism the national leaders abandoned the time honored tenets of democracy and left the real democrat no other course save to vote the Republican ticket as the nearest approach to real democracy. If it is fidelity to party principles the reorganizers would promote then their concern is needless; if, on the contrary, they want a permanent split in the party in Texas as they are taking the right course in going it separate and alone. Trumanism and democracy can never amalgamate.

"Commissioners Delay Taking Pay Increases" was a somewhat startling headline on the front page of a recent issue of the Zavala County Sentinel. In this time of grasping greed, when the practice is to grab everything in reach, who could expect anyone to "delay" taking anything takable? But reading further, we learn that the delay is only to be temporary or "until it can be determined whether or not the increase is valid." Just another occasion of where "discretion is the better part of—helping oneself!"

It is a logical presumption that soon or late this farm to market road will be extended north from Tarpley to effect a junction at or near Medina City with the Bandera-Medina City-Kerrville scenic loop of Highway 16 and so give Hondo another direct connection with Kerrville over a road the unusual scenic beauty of which will attract many tourists. Success comes to the vigilant and the busy; let's quit being caught short on either the matter of highways affecting our town.

Dr. M. J. Thompson, associate director of the University's Defense Research Laboratory, announced that tests are under way to determine how much heat would be generated on such a craft's surfaces as it streaks thru the atmosphere and exactly how that heat—created by tremendous

HIGHWAY 173 AGAIN

To those of us who watched Devine's 50-year effort to secure its "straight road to Hondo" come within a mile of achievement some seven years ago, information now that Kerrville and Bandera are interested, even though belatedly, in joining up with a southerly extension to where the present northwesterly extension stopped, comes as welcome news.

If constructed in a direct enough line to take the kinks out of the present road to Bandera, it will materially shorten the distance between Hondo and Bandera.

Thence following the Bandera-Kerrville farm to market road, via Camp Verde, to Kerrville, those towns will also benefit by the shortened distance.

The projected road will cross State Highway 16 at right-angles, practically at least, at Bandera.

But at Kerrville it will again intersect and form a junction with 16, a state highway that extends far into North Central Texas, and so give the people of a vast and thickly populated area their most direct and, therefore, shortest route to Laredo, via Devine and over Highway 81, to Brownsville via Jourdanton and over southern extension of 173 and to Corpus Christi via Three Rivers and over Highways 281 and 9.

What is of still greater importance, at Kerrville it intersects a northwesterly southeasterly road which, over Nos. 27 and 290 to Junction, crosses International Highway 83 extending from the Canadian Border, through the intervening states, enters Texas near the North Eastern corner of the Panhandle and crosses Texas to Brownsville.

Travel southward over 83, if diverted at Junction to Kerrville and thence by 173, could reach nearly if not all of the above mentioned points south by a nearer route than by remaining on 83 after leaving Junction.

Obviously this road is destined to become a heavily traveled road by both pleasure-seeking tourists and freighting vehicles, especially those handling freight seeking either egress or ingress through means of deep water at Corpus Christi or other Gulf Coast ports. But there is a sad face to this picture!

The road as planned, by-passes Hondo by about one mile from its eastern corporate limits.

Regrettable as that fact is, our lack of foresight in not forestalling such a disaster—for disaster it is—will result in thousands of travelers passing the town without giving it a look or a thought—unless it be to wonder how such a thing could have happened!

But a fait accompli is a thing that is done; and that which is done is not to be undone!

The only recourse is to resort to such means as will best minimize or mitigate the evil that has been done.

To forever lay the ghostly fear that we may eventually be by-passed east and west as well as north and south, the projected opening of a highway from 173 just north of the railroad, west through town along 18th Street to a north and south outlet west of town should be constructed without delay; the northwesterly connection with 83 could follow later.

Future traffic is going to necessitate this facility eventually; why not anticipate it?

The improvements on the Hondo-Tarpley road now being made, adds importance to this—especially the eastern end of it.

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The University scientists are conducting the tests in a supersonic wind tunnel at the institution's Balcones Research Center, under contract with the Air Research and Development Command.

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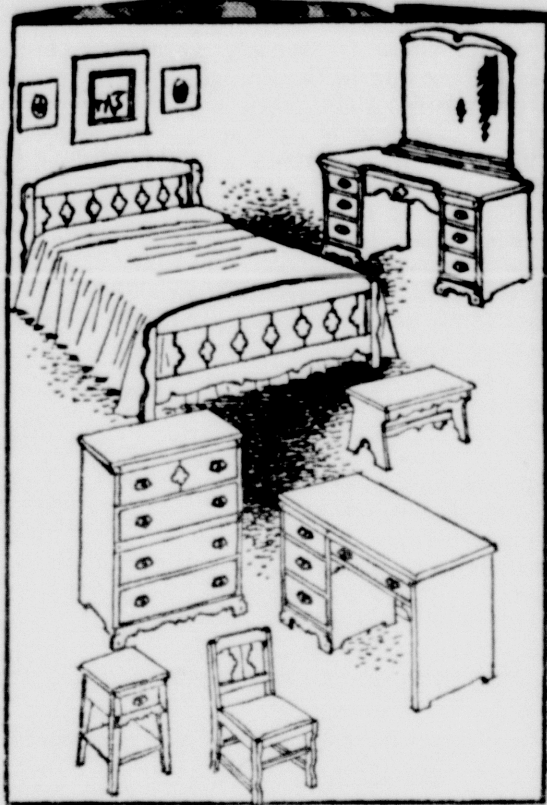
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RICHARD WALLRATH IMPROVED, RETURNS HOME FROM HOSPITAL

By Mrs. Amos Finger
D'HANIS — Richard Wallrath, who has been a patient in Medina Hospital, had improved sufficiently to enable his return home Tuesday. Miss Virginia Wallrath of SA has been with her parents for the past week.

M&M A. J. Finger were in SA Sunday to visit their new grandchild, the daughter of M&M Joe Keefe, born at Santa Rosa Hospital on July 3.

Guests of Mrs. Ursie Turner last weekend were M&M W. E. Turner and children of Lockhart, M&M Milton Turner and children and Mrs. Geneva Stovall and little son of SA. Miss Mary Turner accompanied the Willie Turners to their home in Lockhart Sunday for a visit.

Mrs. H. C. Rothe and Miss Ethel Rothe visited Mrs. Jack Reilly and Mrs. Will Dullnig at Hondo Sunday.

M&M M. J. Flusche and children of SA were guests of M&M Ben Koch last weekend. Mark and Colette Flusche remained here for a week's visit with their grandparents.

Mrs. Wm. Zerr had as guests Wednesday, Mrs. Theresa Brotze and Martin Batot of SA. Mrs. Thelma Watts and son, Dean, and Mrs. Ernestine Crouch and children of Hollywood, Calif.

Mrs. Emil Mums of Fredericksburg was a guest last week of her children, M&M Edmund Live-

ly. Weekend guests in the Ed Nester home were M&M W. M. Bailey and children of Frederick, Okla., Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Bradford and family of SA, and M&M Ivan Nester and family of Dun-

lay. Dinner guests of M&M Arthur Nester Sunday were Miss Esther Hons of SA, M&M S. J. Zerr and

children, J. B. and Johnny Nester.

M&M James Johnson and daughter of SA spent the 4th of July with her father, John Batot, and sister, Mrs. William Zerr.

M&M O. J. Wheat and son of Uvalde spent the weekend in the August Nester home. Mrs. Emil Brod had been their guest last week, returning home Thursday.

Mrs. Daisy Rieber had as guests on July 4th her children: M&M Ben Hodges and daughters, M&M C. N. Rieber and son of SA, Mrs. Vernon Stansbury and son of Houston, and M&M Joe J. Rieber and family.

M&M Fred Britz have as guests their children, M-Sgt. and Mrs. Maurice E. Hamm and daughters, Sandra, Andra, and Linda. The Hammes have recently returned from Tachikawa, Japan, where Sgt. Hamm was stationed for three years and where the family had been for 18 months. They will leave after a few weeks for his new station in Greenville, S. C.

M&M Charles Koch and daughter of Wewoka, Okla., are guests of his mother, Mrs. Theresa Koch.

Mrs. Moe Mueller and daughter, Margaret, returned home on Thursday after three weeks spent touring the Eastern States with the Charles Tondre family of Hondo. After visiting in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, they motored to Niagara Falls and made the trip home through Ohio and St. Louis, Mo.

M&M Wayne Cheney left Friday for Corpus Christi and Raymondville, where they are guests of his mother and other relatives.

M&M H. A. Olfers and children spent the July 4th weekend with M&M H. J. Franger and returned to their home in SA Sunday.

M&M M. T. Ney of Temple spent last week here as guests of the John Zinsmeyers at their ranch.

A. J. Boog and Joe Mueller accompanied M&M W. H. Nobles of Corpus Christi to Del Rio and Ciudad Acuna on July 5th. The Nobles and little daughter, Cynthia Fohn, are guests of Mr. Boog and M&M O. W. Tondre.

Miss Mary Ann Zinsmeyer is one of a party vacationing in Corpus Christi this week. She will also visit with the Buster Schuehles at Rockport.

Several weeks ago Mrs. Amos Finger mailed in her news report, and it was accidentally filed with some invoices for June.

When we paid the bills on the 1st, we found it—so better late than never (Editor).

Mrs. Ella Nester was hostess in her home Wednesday afternoon, June 3rd, to the Hermann Sisters, Lodge No. 118. Mrs. Ed S. Koch presided during the business session. Then followed a social period spent in playing rook. Prizes went to Mrs. Lena Langfeld for high tally, Mrs. Louis Carle, second, Mrs. Maurice Nester, consolation, and Mrs. A. L. Braden, 100 prize. Sandwiches, cake, and iced tea were served. The next meeting will be held on July 1st in the home of Mrs. Charles Schuehle of Hondo.

M&M Homer Nester and sons of SA spent the weekend with M&M A. E. Nester.

Postmaster A. J. Boog is vacationing at Garner Park with his children, M&M L. E. Gossett and sons of SA. The Lawrence Carles and Calvin Bendeles are also spending the week in a cottage at the Park.

Mrs. W. F. Wylie of SA was a guest of Miss Hulda Nester Sunday.

Mrs. Harold Nester visited relatives at LaCoste last week.

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Miss Ellen Zinsmeyer returned home last week from Kansas City, Kansas, where she had been for a week's visit in the home of M&M M. F. Spaight.

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Justin Fest is leaving Wednesday for his home in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, after spending past few months in the U. Tondre home.

HERE IN HONDO

Mrs. Alice Bertreaver and Mary Cook visited SA relatives on Wednesday. Thursday, Mrs. Cook visited M&M Jim Bader at Hondo. Coming back they visited in Eagle Pass.

Mrs. Millie Eckhart and daughter of Uvalde on a trip to Colorado last week. Mrs. Eckhart reported that everybody ought to go to Colorado, as it is a beautiful and COOL.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sauter and Martina Sauteroff accompanied them on the trip.

The G. C. Grishams have returned from a vacation at Yellowstone Park, where they were accompanied by his wife, Eaton Grisham and two children. They took many wild game, including deer, antelope, moose, bear, and others. They also got to see Old Faithful geyser.

Paul Bybee is back from weeks vacation visiting Mrs. Bybee's relatives at Tulsa and other parts of west Texas. Mrs. Bybee, Larry and Sammy, returned for a longer visit with relatives.

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Betty Jean Koch, Mrs. Joe Lamon and daughter, Kathleen Ann, were LaCoste visitors Monday.

Mrs. Theresa Biediger of the Sauz spent the weekend with M&M Max Biediger.

M&M Roy G. Carden and children of SA and M&M John Lloyd Zuercher and children and George Zuercher were supper guests of M&M John L. Zuercher Thursday evening.

M&M Arnold Reichertzer and daughters from Corpus Christi are visiting here with relatives for a few days.

Miss Linda Mae Ball visited with Miss Ruby Mae Atkins one day this week.

M&M Levi Bendele of Devine spent Sunday with M&M Leo Bendele.

M&M Wilfred Hutzler, Sr. and son, Robert, and M&M Wilfred Hutzler Jr., and M&M Leo Bendele attended the church picnic at Devine on July 4th.

M&M Leo Bendele and Mrs. Wilfred Hutzler Sr., were business visitors in SA Monday.

Leroy Keller spent the weekend at Corpus Christi. While he was there he also visited with one of his buddies, Johnny O'Neil who was stationed at Fort Bliss while in the service.

Alfred Trip of Macdona was a LaCoste visitor Friday.

M&M W. F. Forth and daughters from Sanderson were enjoying their vacation with M&M Joe Kauffman the past week.

M&M Frank Wetta and children from Houston and Mrs. Fred Zapata and son and Robert Wetta from SA spent the 4th of July with M&M Wilfred Ahr.

Mrs. L. M. Pittmann and children are visiting with M&M Geo. Kunze for a few days.

Guests in the A. W. Ahr home on the 4th of July were M&M Pike of Edinburg, Mrs. B. C. Yerger of Donna and Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Williamson of Castroville.

M&M Melvin Jagge of Castroville and M&M Bernard Zinsmeyer and sons visited with M&M Cornelius Fischer and children on Wednesday night.

M&M V. E. Kleppe and children of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, and Ralph Graff of Hondo visited with M&M George Zuercher and son, Allen, Wednesday evening.

Visiting with Mrs. A. H. Ahr during the past week were Mrs. Fern Dunn and Mary of Nacogdoches and Mrs. Don Herzog of Converse.

Mrs. Adolph Zinsmeyer from the Sauz spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Cornelius Fischer and children at LaCoste.

Mrs. P. I. Dyess and children of SA visited with Mrs. George Zuercher and son, Allen, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Bernard Zinsmeyer and sons visited with Mrs. Cornelius Fischer and children Thursday afternoon.

M&M John Fischer and son, and Mrs. Melvin Jagge of Castroville and Mrs. Ernest Hutzler and children and M&M Adolph Zinsmeyer from the Sauz visited at the Bernard Zinsmeyer home Friday afternoon.

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HENRY CANTY IS TRANSFERRED TO LAREDO

CASTROVILLE — Castroville will soon lose two of its young citizens. M&M Henry Canty and son, Danny, Mr. Canty left Sunday for Laredo where he will be connected with the State Highway Department, in the Driver's License Examination division. He was accompanied on the trip to the border city by his father-in-law, Robert Tschirhart, who lived in Laredo several years ago. Mr. Canty will locate a residence for his family, and Mrs. Canty and son will join him in about two weeks.

The 4th of July in Castroville was a happy one for all the dogs in town. The ordinance against shooting fireworks in the city limits was strictly observed.

Mrs. Evelyn C. A. v. e, southwestern Maytag Home Economics representative was in Castroville all day Tuesday in connection with her demonstration of cooking economically on a Maytag gas stove which was held in the Fischer and children at LaCoste.

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Zuerchers Take Trip

M&M John Lloyd Zuercher and children, Brenda and Jimmy, left last Friday for a two weeks visit with Mrs. Zuercher's parents at Clarksville, Tenn.

Mrs. Reba Keller and son, Emmett, and Mrs. Randolph Koch and children, Betty and R. J., were Hondo visitors Monday and also visited at the home of M&M Ben Haby.

M&M Roy G. Carden and children of SA and M&M Ervin Hitzfelder and children and M&M John L. Zuercher visited at the John Lloyd Zuerchers home last Wednesday night.

M&M John L. Zuercher and Mrs. Margaret Keller and Wm. Lamon attended the picnic at Devine on the 4th, and also at Castroville.

M&M Raymond Wanek of SA visited with M&M Bernard Rihn and family Monday night.

Joe Hutzler of the Sauz spent a few days with M&M Alex Hutzler and Bernard Hutzler.

Mrs. John Lloyd Zuercher and children and Mrs. Reba Keller and Mrs. Randolph Koch and daughter, Betty, and little Miss Claudia Salzmänn visited with Mrs. Walter Stein and Mrs. Glenn Keller and infant son at Rio Medina Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. T. O. Kaplan and sons, Jeffrey and David, of Houston, visited Mrs. Kaplan's parents, M&M Edmund Keller. Little Miss Patira Kaplan returned home with her mother on the 4th of July after spending the past month with her grandparents.

A barbecue dinner and supper was enjoyed at Echtle's Park on Saturday, July 4th, by the following: Mrs. Helena Keller, M&M E. J. Keller and sons, E. J. Jr. and Franklin, M&M J. C. Biediger, Sr., Mrs. Reba Keller and sons, Leroy and Emmett, M&M J. C. Biediger Jr., and sons, M&M Francis Biediger and children, and M&M Carlisle Keller and son of LaCoste; M&M F. J. Keller and sons, Ronnie and Harold and daughter, Patsy of Castroville; M&M H. F. Keller of Uvalde, and M&M Emil Elmen-dorf and son, Emil Jr., and daughter, Mary, and M&M Ben Yancey and B. Robinson of SA, AND M&M Fred Koehler and family of Macdona; M&M Johnny McGee and children of Crystal City and Carroll Keller of Kelly Field and M&M George Zinsmeyer, and George Echtle and Edward Rangel also of LaCoste.

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M&M J. N. Almand of Waxahachie, Texas, have been guests of their daughter and son-in-law, M&M W. Lewis Adams and little granddaughter, Debbie. Mrs. Adams and Debbie returned with them to their home and also spent some time in Dallas and Crandall before returning to Castroville.

Tondre Jack Wernette returned Sunday night from a short trip to Charlotte, North Carolina, where he has accepted a position as director of the speech-arts department of the Senior High School of Charlotte. Mr. Wernette will be the director of all dramatic productions, including one-act plays that are entered in the North Carolina State contests. He will also work with the music department in staging musical productions.

Having just returned from a visit to the West Coast he found the trip doubly interesting as he was able to compare the two sections of the country. He was impressed by the prevailing courtesy shown him by every one in the Carolina state, as compared to the rush and hustle of the West, which is still, however, not as pronounced as found in New York City.

M&M Malcolm Reeves have moved into the former Henry Canty residence. They formerly lived in the Milton Haby duplex on Highway 90 on the outskirts of Castroville. Mrs. Reeves was a teacher in the elementary school in LaCoste last year.

The list of Castrovillians on vacation include M&M Wendell Griggs, Charles Koch, and M&M Henry Canty who enjoyed a fishing trip to Devil's River about 27 miles from Del Rio. Fishing was good.

Mrs. Tina Finger spent her vacation at home and visiting her daughter, Mrs. David FitzSimon and family in SA.

The Castro Garden Club believes in the recognition of civic deeds and would like the citizens of Castroville to know that the labor of Wendell Griggs and Henry Tschirhart on the recent cement job on September Plaza was donated, thus cutting down the expense of the work done. H. V. Haass also recently made a donation to the Plaza Fund.

W. W. Wernette and Leslie Howard were fishing in Waelder this week.

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Hi Ho Crackers	lb. 31c
Red & White Coffee	lb. 85c
Maryland Club Coffee	lb. 87c
Cheerios	10 1/4 oz. 23c
Pillsbury Flour	5 lbs. 49c—10 lbs. 95c
Red & White Shortening	3 lbs. 81c
Spry	3 lbs. 87c
Pompeian Olive Oil	4 oz. 23c—8 oz. 43c
Sugar, Pure Imperial Cane, Factory Packed	5 lbs. 49c—10 lbs. 97c
Red & White Large Prunes	lb. 31c—2 lbs. 55c
Comet Long Grain Rice	24 oz. 35c
Red Heart Dog Food	tall—2 for 29c
Purex Bleach	1/4 gal. 29c—qt. 16c
Ajax Cleanser	2 for 19c
Joy Liquid Detergent	6 oz. 28c
Breeze	1ge. 29c
Dreft	1ge. 28c
Fab	1ge. 28c
Lux Flakes	1ge. 26c
Ivory Soap, Personal	4 for 19c—Med. 2 for 15c
Ivory Soap, Large	2 for 25c
Horn Cotton Mops	No. 16, 45c—No. 20, 50c
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laanol Green Plastic Gardenn Hose	25 Ft. 2.39—50 Ft. 3.98
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toilet Tissue	4 for 43c
Sun Spun Margarine	1 lb. 21c
Bacon, Decker's Tall Korn, Sliced	1 lb. cello 59c
Frank's, Swift's Premium	1 lb. cello 45c
Bologna, Swift's Premium Jumbo	By the Piece 1 lb. 39c
Cervelat, Swift's Essex	By the Piece 1 lb. 49c
Luncheon Meat, Decker's Spiced	1 lb. 49c
Dole's Pineapple Juice	6 oz. 21c
Dole's Chunks Pineapple	10 oz. 29c
Libby's Brussels Sprouts	10 oz. 21c
Libby's Mixed Garden Vegetables	10 oz. 23c
Libby's Cut Green Beans	10 oz. 19c
Libby's Peas	12 oz. 27c
Libby's Blackeye Peas	10 oz. 27c
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By Mrs. Harrison Wilson

YANCEY—M&M Willie Faseler John Bohmfalk, M&M George Heiligman, M&M Alfred Wiemers attended the George Bohmfalk reunion at the roadside park, east of Hondo, on Highway 90.

M&M Glen Millard visited M&M Dan McCrea Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Ira Sansom and babies of Uvalde spent the week with her mother, Mrs. Lula Ward.

Dora Mae Wilson went with the Jim Ambersons to Waco on Thursday to pick up Evelyn from Camp there. They returned Friday.

M&M Weldon Atkins of Devine spent Sunday afternoon with M&M Harrison Wilson.

John and Anton Fritze returned to their home in Fortuna, Cal., Sunday accompanied by Mary and John Sutch, who will obtain work there.

M&M J. N. Wilson met their daughter, Mrs. Earl Berry, and family of Belton at Kerrville on Saturday. They all attended the rodeo Saturday night.

Mrs. Amanda Ward spent several days at the Baptist Encampment.

M&M Harrison Wilson went to Cotulla for the barbecue and rodeo, July 4th.

W. S. Garnett Sr. and Bob Henderson left Sunday for a few days fishing at Buchanan Lake.

John and Anton Fritze of Fortuna, Calif., visited the Sutch family over the weekend. Saturday the Sutch family served dinner at the George Heiligman home, to a number of friends.

Those present were Fritz Faseler, M&M E. Bodeman, M&M Bill Faseler, John and Anton Fritze, M&M Albert Burk of Saudia, M&M John Buck and children of Mathis and M&M Jimmie Heiligman, Johnny, JoAnn and Ronnie.

That night they served ice cream. Other guests were M&M Willie Faseler, M&M Leroy Faseler and boys, Marlene Evans and M&M Louis Bohmfalk of New Fountain and son, Rothwell, of Houston.

M&M Clarence Berry of Oakland, California visited M&M Ed Martin last week.

M&M Ed Martin, Fred and Mary Lee went to Flatonia for the 4th of July weekend to visit with M&M Earl Homsley.

Guests of M&M Harrison Wilson for barbecue Thursday night were M&M Albert Wilson and children, Alex Craven and Bob Brooks of SA and Mr. Wright, Mr. Harley and Mr. Zimmerman of Peerless Pump Service of SA.

Emil Bohmfalk, Robert and Rosalee, M&M Clifford Bohmfalk and family and M&M Rolf Bohmfalk went to Kerrville Sunday.

M&M Milton Jordan of Mason joined them there.

Mrs. Emil Bohmfalk has gone to Wortham to be with her mother who is very ill.

M&M Bill Garner and family from Belton spent the weekend with M&M Buford Wilson.

Supper guests of Mrs. Lula Ward Monday night were M&M Walter Ward and Janet, M&M Floyd Ward and family, M&M Byron Ward of Hondo, M&M Ira Sansom and children of Uvalde, and M&M Robert Ward and family.

Weekend guests of M&M Clarence Muennink and Coy were, M&M Reginal Downs of Wichita, Kansas, M&M Quentin Downs and children of Nixon and M&M Edwin Grell of Hondo.

M&M Walter Ward and Janet of Georgetown spent the week with his mother, Mrs. Lula Ward. Saturday M&M Ward, Mrs. Lula Ward and Mrs. Sansom and children spent the day with M&M

Byron Ward of Hondo and M&M Elroy Ward and M&M John Mohr of Houston.

Fourth of July guests of M&M G. C. McAnelly were: M&M Dookie McAnelly and boys of SA; M&M John McAnelly, M&M Dick McAnelly and families of Hondo, M&M G. C. McAnelly Jr. of Pearlsall and Robert Faseler and children.

M&M Gathright and boys spent a few days with her parents, M&M Willie Faseler. For supper one night they had all their children together, except Mrs. Alfred Bogus and family. M&M Sutch and family and M&M Elroy Mofield and girls attended.

Lydia Anne Miller spent last week in Uvalde with her aunt, Miss Alice Hardt.

Hospital News

Admittances:

Bobby Nester, July 4, accident.

Ruby Ryan, July 5, appendectomy.

Mrs. Pete Morales, July 3, medical.

Nancy and Ronald Taylor, July 3, tonsilectomy.

John Schueling, June 29, accident.

Julius Schmidt, July 3, tonsilectomy.

Rudy Garza, July 4, accident.

Jose Navara, July 4, accident.

New babies born at the hospital:

Pamela Jean, to M&M Leslie Earl Holloway of 90 Avenue N, Hondo, on June 26, 6 lbs. 10 ozs.

David Wayne to M&M Paul Clayton Carleton of Route 1, Box 84, Devine on June 28, 8 lbs. 1/2 ozs.

Michael Joseph, to M&M Ralph J. Jones of 2105 Ave. T, Hondo on June 29, 6 lbs. 15 ozs.

Silvia, to M&M Manuel Garcia Lopez Jr., of Yancey on July 2, 7 lbs. 6 ozs.

Thomas Leo, to M&M Francis J. Bohl of Route 1, Devine on July 3, 6 lbs. 9 ozs.

Arthur, to M&M Joe Dominguez of 110 Ave. S., Hondo, on July 3, 7 lbs.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Meckel

Mrs. Martha Olie Meckel of McDonna, Texas, died on June 21st, 1953, in her residence at McDonna after a short illness. Mrs. Meckel had reached the age of seventy-nine years, seven months and five days at the time of her death.

Mrs. Meckel was married on March 23, 1893 in San Antonio, at the Lutheran Church, to William Meckel. She is survived by her daughters, Mmes. Elsie Hamer, Ernestine Small and Bertha Seimpose; and one son, David Meckel of McDonna. She was preceded in death by two sons, William and Edwin. Mrs. Meckel is also survived by 17 grandchildren.

After her marriage Mrs. Meckel moved to McDonna in 1897 where she lived until her death.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Meckel at 9:00 A. M. on June 24, 1953 from the Tondre Funeral Home. Reverend Durkop conducted services for the deceased at the Lutheran Church in Quibi. She was buried in the Hermann Son's Cemetery in McDonna.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Claud Trinkle et ux to Mary Bell Magers, parcel of land, part of lot 7, block 54, Hondo for and in consideration of \$1 and other good and valuable consideration.

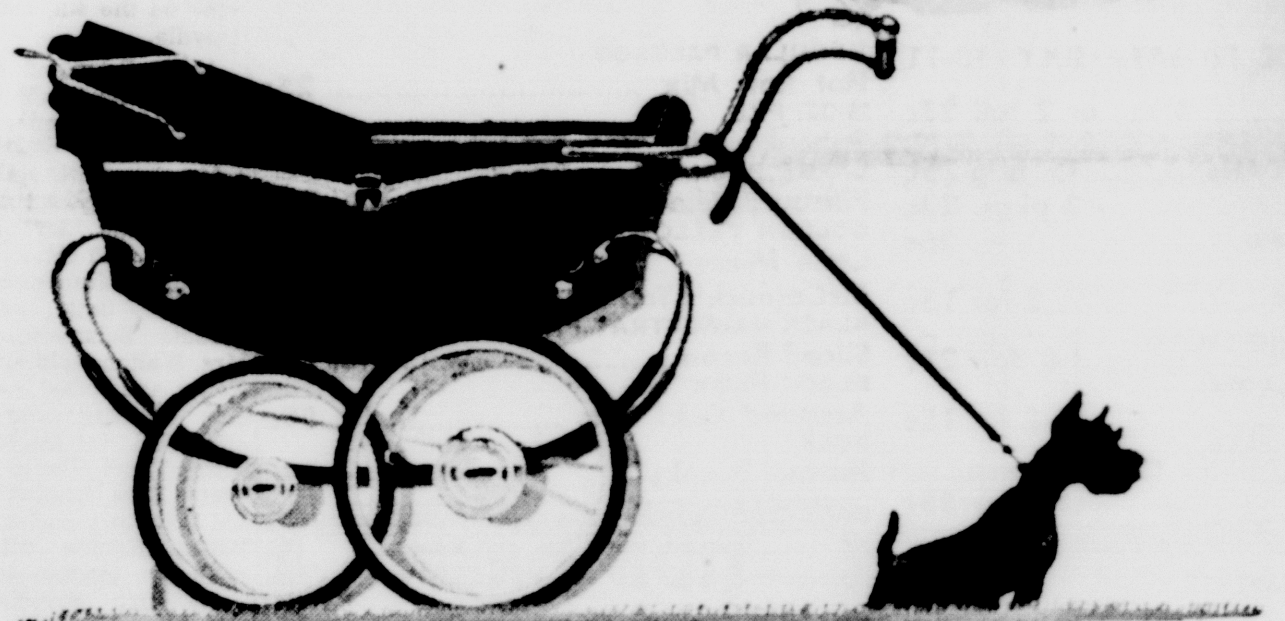
John Folk et ux to Anton Folk, \$14,300.00, for 192.85 acres of land more or less, lying about 7 1/2 miles N. 11 deg E of the City of Hondo, 17.3 acres of survey No. 182; 149.85 acres of survey 179; 25.7 acres of Survey 98, Hondo.

Herman K. Patrick to Ethel Patrick et vir, for good and valuable considerations, East 20 acres of Lot 21, Block 6, Medina County.

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Sat., July 11	Thur.-Fri., July 16-17
"FORT APACHE"	"THE WAC FROM WALLA WALLA"
John Wayne-Henry Fonda Shirley Temple Cartoon	Judy Canova Cartoon
Sun.-Mon., July 12-13	
"ANGEL FACE"	1st. show starts at dusk, 2nd show 2 hrs. later
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Thur.-Fri., July 9-10	Sun.-Mon., July 12-13
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Wayne-Maureen O'Hara Barry Fitzgerald	Paul Christina-Paula Raymond Cecil Kellaway-Kenneth Tobey
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"IRON MOUNTAIN TRAIL"	"JEOPARDY"
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ZACHRY COMPANY BUILDERS OF HAB

Mr. H. B. Zachry, head of Zachry Construction Company which built the Hondo Navigation School in 1942 and rebuilt Hondo Air Base in 1951.

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the duties of Engineering, Construction, Accounting, and General Administration of the company were performed by three persons.

The company operations are today directed from three nerve centers:

From the Transit Tower in San Antonio, the executive offices, the legal department, the promotion department, and the oil and pipeline departments integrate their activities with the Construction Division and Accounting Department of the company.

From its own building in South San Antonio, the Construction Division with its Engineering, Estimating, Drafting, Purchasing, Personnel, Medical and Safety departments, its machine and repair shops, constantly keeps the other departments of the company active with the tremendous volume of construction operations which they undertake each year through the various Division Superintendents and Operations Managers who run the highway and bridge construction, building constructions, heavy electrical work, utilities, flood control projects, pipelines, and sand and gravel production.

Period of Continuous Growth and Expansion
Like all new business, H. B. Zachry Company had growing pains. Numerous problems presented themselves to the new organization, foremost of which were financing and equipment problems. Yet, all were favorably and successfully solved with the result that the company expanded soundly and firmly—each problem presented a challenge to the organization and each problem was solved with such foresight and ability that today H. B. Zachry Company is among the most respected organizations in the industry for its management, its work and integrity, and for the caliber of its men.

During the early days, the company specialized in small commercial buildings, small residences, highways, and bridges. In those early days, owner and workers alike struggled and produced, thought and planned, dreamed and accomplished with such soundness that during the depression period the company was able to weather successfully the business ordeals which beset all businesses during that trying period.

During the decade, 1930-1940, the company still confined its work to South Texas and specialized in highways, bridges, concrete and earthen dams, commercial buildings, housing developments, residential developments, and gravel production.

By this time the company had built an office building in Laredo which for a long time was the Home Office, and had acquired some properties in San Antonio where it operated a shop and had other permanent and semi-permanent activities. One of the first fleets of trucks was acquired with the purchase of 14 new Ford trucks, and construction equipment of various kinds had been purchased. It was evident that the company was building solidly and its reputation was beginning to attract attention all over the state. In 1940, after having held several important positions in the construction fraternity, H. B. Zachry was elected National President of Associated General Contractors of America.

Contribution to the War Effort
World War II found H. B. Zachry, his companies, and executives ready for all war emergencies. The company built over 45 Million Dollars worth of Army camps, airfields, and other war time facilities for the Armed Forces. The company built part of Fort Bliss, part of Fort Hood, the Harlingen Airfield, the Hondo Aerial Navigation School, Laredo

Flexible Gunnery School part of the Brownsville Airfield, and the Del Rio Airfield.
It was during the war that the company actively entered into the farming and ranching business, operating two 6,000 acre farms and ranches producing cattle of the finest breeds and raising onions, tomatoes, and other important crops.

Establishment of Subsidiary And Affiliate Companies
The first subsidiary established was H. B. Zachry Properties which was organized in 1934 as sand and gravel producers. Later, it expanded its activities into real estate and subdivision promotion.

During the middle thirties, H. B. Zachry acquired the Herring-Price Lumber Company of Laredo and the Wright Oil Company of San Antonio. In the late thirties, H. B. Zachry organized and built the Gasoline Production Corporation and Francitas Gas Company, re-cycling plants which process gasoline and other gas derivatives. In April, 1942, H. B. Zachry established the Bexar Equipment of San Antonio, wholesale dealers of contractors' supplies and equipment. During 1946, he acquired the Transit Tower in San Antonio, and Southern Pecan Shelling Company, one of the country's largest processors and wholesalers of pecans. In 1949, he established Alamo Aviation, Inc., Beechcraft dealers, and, in

As vigorous and impressive as

the growth of the Zachry organization has been, and as outstanding as the personal achievements of its employees are, the company is just starting to scratch the surface. The company is still young and growing; its executives are instilled with zest, ability, intelligence, perseverance, and a determination to conquer difficulties and achieve the impossible—to them, construction and business is adventure which presents a challenge that can be met!

Post War Development
Immediately after the cessation of hostilities, the company executives began to develop and put into execution the plans of expansion and growth which they had envisioned for the company.

Former President H. B. Zachry, became the Chairman of the Board, Vice President, Wayne D. Tiner, became the President, and Delbert Ward became the first Post War Vice President and General Superintendent. Under the leadership of the late Wayne D. Tiner, as Vice President and General Superintendent and later president, the company saw some of its best years of progress in which millions of dollars worth of work were completed in record time, and in which many employees were given opportunities for promotion.

The construction operating volume of the company, as of December 31, 1951, was close to 10 Million Dollars with its construction activities spread over several states—New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Kansas. The company has completed extensive pipeline work, electrical work for airfields, reactivation of Army airfields and forts, construction of gas compressor stations, municipal airports paving of runways, and a big volume of utilities, sewer and water lines, sewer disposal plants and heavy electrical construction. The company has also engaged in the development of residential subdivisions, having developed some of San Antonio's finest subdivisions—Jefferson Terrace, Terrell Hills, Monticello Heights, and Northridge.

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HERE IN HONDO

M&M J. F. Smith recently visited Mrs. Smith's parents, M&M J. C. Edwards, at Dawson, Texas. While there they attended a family reunion at Twin Oaks Lodge, Corsicana.

M&M Earl Morrow and children, Kenneth and Terry, visited relatives and friends in Grand Prairie over the past weekend. Mrs. W. B. Hedge visited the

E. R. Herrings in Eagle Pass over the weekend. Last Tuesday, Mrs. Hedge and children and Mrs. H. S. Browning and daughters visited Mrs. R. O. Busby in Crystal City.

New residents in the Circle Drive are M&M George R. Gilbert and children, Gill and Jane, formerly of Goldthwaite. Mr. Gilbert is an instructor at the Air Base.

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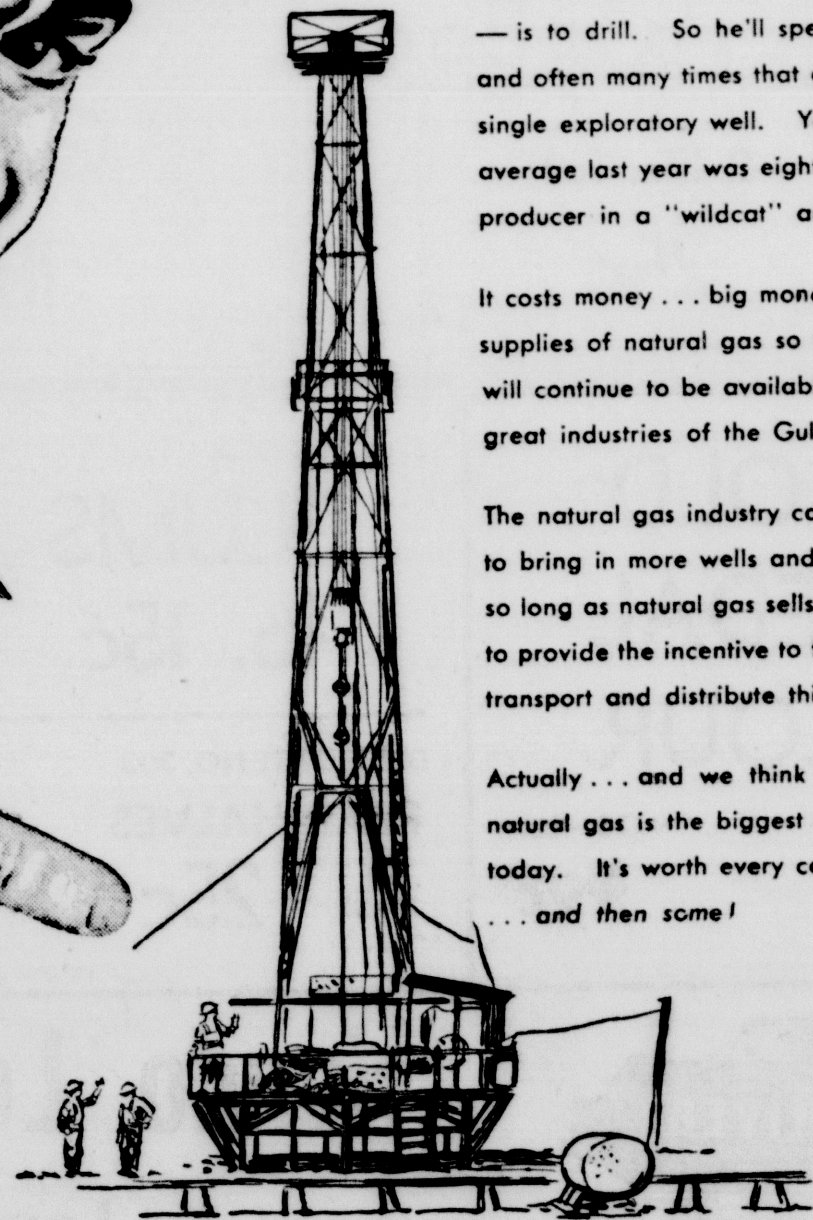
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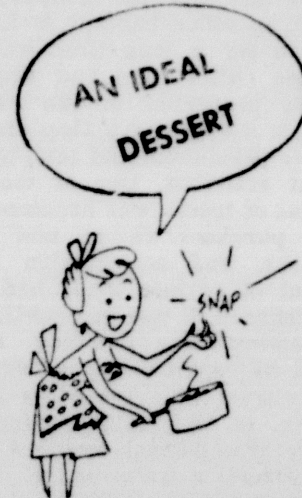
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Bilhartz Family Entertains Nunnerys From Louisiana

By Mrs. Adolph Hutzler
BIRY—M&M D. C. Nunnery of Louisiana were visiting M&M Ralph Bilhartz last week.

Visiting with M&M Adolph Hutzler and family on the Fourth were M&M Ralph Hutzler of Del Rio and M&M Harold Hutzler, Cynthia and Sylvia of SA, Mrs. Otto Mann and children of Big Foot.

Miss Irne Hutzler is visiting at Del Rio this week with M&M Ralph Hutzler and M&M Paul Hutzler and family.

M&M James Rihn and family of SA visited Saturday with M&M Frank Rihn and family.

M&M Roy Anderson and daughters visited Mrs. Anderson's parents at Poteet Sunday.

Mrs. Ralph Bilhartz is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bob Horton and family at Vine Grove Kentucky for a few weeks.

Mrs. Marvin Haass was at SA Monday. She was accompanied back by Marvin Dale who had spent the weekend there.

Patricia Schmidt, a student at Our Lady of Lake College, daughter of M&M George Schmidt was the lucky winner of first prize, a calf, which was given away at the Devine picnic Saturday.

M&M Lawrence Tschirhart and family came by Wednesday for a while on their way home from Castroville. Joyce returned home with them after spending the week with the Adolph Hutzler family.

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RESOURCES

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5. Corporate stock, including no stock in Federal Reserve Bank 10,000.00
6. Cash, balance due from other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection (including exchanges for clearing house) 200,817.25
7. Banking House, or leasehold improvements 260.00
8. Furniture, fixtures, and equipment 1,208.00
11. Total Resources .. \$888,965.16

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

1. Common Capital Stock \$20,000.00
3. Surplus: Certified \$20,000 Not Certified none 20,000.00
4. Undivided profits 2,710.37
5. Capital reserves (and debenture retirement account) 23,000.00
6. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations 810,742.54
8. Public funds (Incl. U. S. Govt., states and political subdivisions) 12,512.25
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of July, 1953

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Notary public, Medina County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST

M. M. Koch
Eric Rothe
Gus Rothe
DIRECTORS

meet Wednesday, July 22nd, not the 23rd as was stated in last week's issue.

M&M Emil Mummie, Franklin and Valerie of SA were weekend visitors at the Frank Rihn home.

M&M Tal Simmons visited at the George Schmidt home over the Fourth.

M&M Aug Haass and family of SA were out over the Fourth visiting relatives.

Many from here were enjoying the picnic at Devine Saturday.

M&M Amos Hitzfelder and children and M&M Adolph Hutzler and family, Robert and Marilyn Mann, visited with M&M Ed Bader and Ella Sunday evening.

Mrs. Leo Schmidt and family were SA visitors last Thursday.

M&M Sidney Billings and Jerry were visiting with relatives at LaCoste last week one day.

Mrs. Della Boehme of Devine visited with M&M George Bader and M&M Ed Bader and family a short while Sunday.

M&M George McCollum of SA visited over the weekend with relatives here.

M&M Chester Schmidt of Hondo visited Mrs. Schmidt's parents at Alice Saturday and Sunday.

M&M William Hitzfelder are visiting several days at LaCoste with M&M Frank Zimmerman and M&M Charles Halty, while Mr. Halty will undergo an operation this week.

Marily and Robert Mann are spending this week with their grandparents here, M&M Adolph Hutzler and family.

Mrs. Marvin Haass was a SA business visitor Thursday.

Mrs. Leo Schmidt and daughters, Kathleen and Marie, Leo Anthony and Henry visited in SA with M&M Henry Sultenfuss, as it was their birthdays. The Sultenfusses are Mrs. Schmidt's parents.

M&M Sidney Billings, formerly of Hondo, moved to Mrs. Billings' grandmothers, Mrs. J. A. Bendele, and are making their home there now.

William Poerner underwent a slight eye operation Wednesday, July 1st in SA. Last reports are that he was getting along fine.

M&M A. S. Whitley and daughter, Jane from Douglas, Ariz., have been visiting Mrs. Whitley's sister, Mrs. A. C. Strickland Jr. and family.

Captain and Mrs. Lewis Erhart of San Marcos were weekend guests of Captain and Mrs. Philip Plotkin. Accompanying the Erharts was Mrs. Martin of Great Bend, Kansas.

At the Naval Air Station in Dallas one day last week were Earl Morrow, George Gilbert, Keith Pearson, and W. B. Hedge. M&M D. V. Streetman and sons have returned to Hondo after an extended visit with friends and relatives in Lubbock. Friends of Mrs. Streetman will be sorry to know that her mother passed away recently.

M&M A. S. Whitley and daughter, Jane from Douglas, Ariz., have been visiting Mrs. Whitley's sister, Mrs. A. C. Strickland Jr. and family.



Major Warren G. Bell as the Director of Military Training has charge of the housing, administration and training of all students, and acts as Foreign Liaison Officer, the coordinator for all allied students' training.

HERE IN HONDO

M&M Buck Elliott and daughter, Alice, have returned from a fishing trip which took them to Brownwood Lake, Corpus Christi and Mason.

Guests of M&M Don Eagan on Friday were M&M B. D. Garland and M&M Bill Lyman of Littlefield.

Paula Holliday, daughter of M&M Paul Holliday, is visiting relatives in Brady.

Mrs. Albert Schiffrers has returned to her home in SA after a visit with M&M Al Schiffrers and children, Al Tom, Bill and Mary.

M&M W. H. Hill were guests last weekend of their daughter and son-in-law, M&M Bob Joe Carroll.

M&M A. S. Whitley and daughter, Jane from Douglas, Ariz., have been visiting Mrs. Whitley's sister, Mrs. A. C. Strickland Jr. and family.

James R. Payne Elected Natalia Legion Head

By E. M. Whittington

NATALIA—The American Legion Post No. 371 elected James R. Payne as its Commander for the incoming year. Serving with him will be First Vice Commander R. E. Alison; Adjutant, Lloyd G. Robins; Finance Officer, Clyde Sparks; Service Officer, Wm. N. Forbes, Jr.; Chaplain, E. H. Whittington; Historian, C. M. Maney; Sergeant at Arms, Fred J. Baker. These will be installed on August 3rd.

The American Legion Auxiliary re-elected Mrs. Betty Sparks to serve as President again this year, and because of her plans to leave for New York City for the summer, the ladies held their installation service immediately following the election, with Mrs. Gertrude Payne serving as installing officer.

Serving with Mrs. Sparks will be 1st Vice President, Mrs. Callie Goldenberg; second vice president, Mrs. Myrtle Sheport; secretary, Mrs. Iris Haller; treasurer, Mrs. Judy Forbes; Chaplain, Mrs. Eleanor Culver; historian, Mrs. Dona Van Heuverswyn; Sgt. at Arms, Mrs. June McElen.

Mrs. Sparks was presented with a fountain pen bearing the emblem of the American Legion Auxiliary in gold, in appreciation

of her past year's work as president.

Miss Virginia Young gave a report on her trip to Girls State. She stated that she "Thoroughly enjoyed the experience and was grateful to the Auxiliary for sending her." She expressed belief that this project should be carried on by the Legion also, in sending a boy to Boys State each year. She added that she believed the boys and girls would learn "more about government, and how it is carried on, in one trip than they do in a years high school work," because there they actually take part in the affairs of state. Miss Young was in the run-off for County Tax Assessor, but lost to her opponent by a very small majority.

Miss Young displayed her Girls State pin, which is made in the shape of the State of Texas with a Lone Star in the center.

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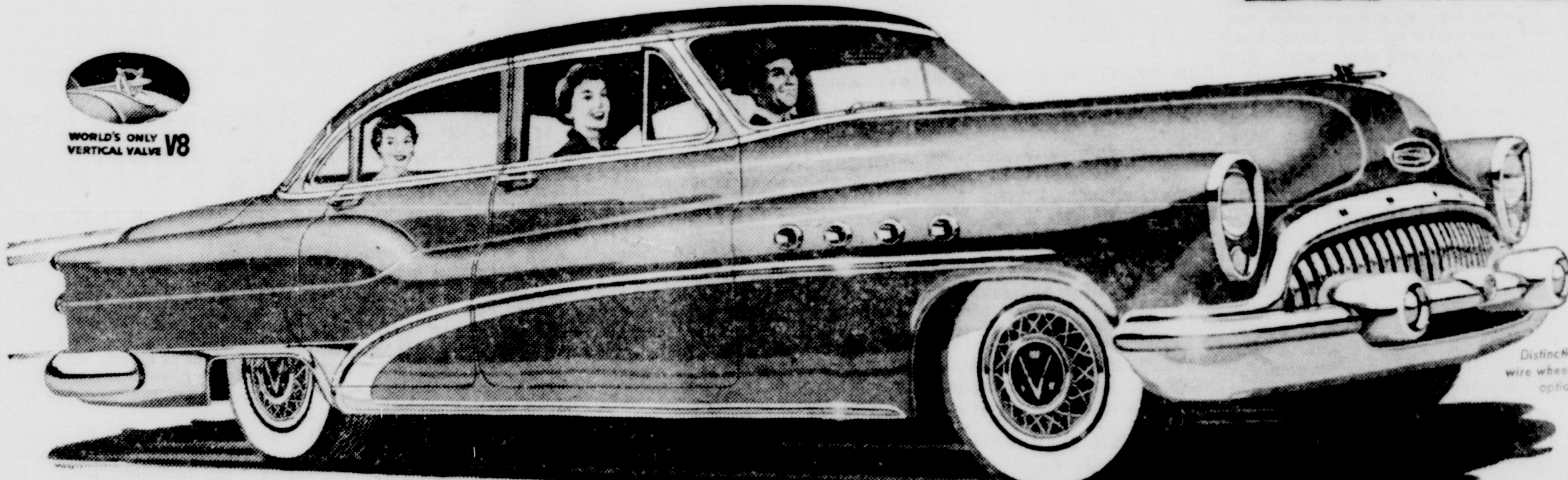
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HISTORY MADE IN HONDO

RECOGNITION OF TAI AND MEDINA CITIZENS

The Anvil Herald is proud to present this issue published in honor of the second anniversary of Hondo Air Base and Texas Aviation Industries at Hondo.

On July 9th, 1951, the first group of men arrived at Hondo to reactivate the Air Base for the training of cadets in the Air Force. Such great success was realized by the government in the training of men for flying by experienced Air Force pilots and administrative officers, that here at Hondo, Texas Aviation Industries was selected to do the

The men employed by TAI to teach and instruct men flying in the US Air Force are men who have had years of experience in flying, having trained and fought in World War II. In this group of ex-privates and ex-colonels, there are some of our country's greatest flyers, holders of our country's highest honors in combat flying. These are men of strength, of knowledge and integrity.

The Anvil Herald would like to call this issue its "making hands" issue, a time when all of us, TAI employees, cadets, privates, ex-lieutenants and colonels, butchers, bakers and ranchmen, recognize our dependence on another; the people of Hondo in recognition of the fact of having one of the nine civilian contract training bases in the United States established here; and the people of TAI in recognition of the part citizens of Hondo, Chamber of Commerce and the City Officials have played in the progress of this Air Force program.

It is probably realized by both parties that we should work as one, with the field not an isolated unit, but a city a separate entity, but a single group working for a single purpose in mind, each contributing to the success and interest of the other. In that way, by such friendship and cooperation, do we all fulfill our desires and realize a dream, that of a good kind of living for all.



Col. Sam S. Williamson, Jr.

Col. S. S. Williamson, Hondo's Military C. O.

Samuel S. Williamson, Jr., Lieutenant Colonel, USAF, is Commanding Officer at Hondo Air Base. Col. Williamson was personally selected to head Hondo Air Base by Major General G. H. Doolittle, Commanding General of Flying Training Air Force. Col. Williamson took over his new command on April 7th.

Col. Williamson has been in the service since 1940 when he was assigned to the National Guard at Hot Springs, Ark., his home town. From the National Guard he went into cadet training. In World War II he served in the Ninth Air Force in England and France. While flying B-29 Superfortresses he received the DFC and Medal with ten oak leaf clusters, and has 64 missions to his credit. After the war, in 1946 and 1947, Col. Williamson was sent to Germany on occupation zone duty where he could take his family

with him. From there he was sent to Barksdale Field, and then to Lubbock where he was stationed for three and a half years before being sent to Hondo. Col. Williamson's son, Sam S. III, now six and a half years old, was only three months old when his father was sent to Germany. At that time little Sam was one of the youngest "men" ever to have flown the Atlantic.

As to his personal life, Col. Williamson is married and has two children. He met his wife, who hails from New Jersey, in Florida, where they were married in 1945. Besides his son, Sam, the Williamsons have a girl, Carol Ann, aged two and a half years. Col. Williamson's mother and father are living in Hot Springs. He has three sisters, and one brother, an ALC, B-29 gunner, stationed at Biggs Field in El Paso.

Zachry Construction Co., Builds Base At Hondo

This is the history of H. B. Zachry, his company, the men and women who worked, grew and developed with him.

As a young Engineering graduate from A & M Class of 1922, Harry Bartlett Zachry started his engineering career in Laredo, Texas as Assistant County Engineer and Surveyor. After a short and successful career as Assistant County Engineer, young Zachry decided to start his own General Contracting business.

The H. B. Zachry Company was founded in August, 1924, and on August 23, 1924, H. B. Zachry personally made out the first

weekly payroll—sixteen names on that memorable payroll with total wages of \$156.89—a payroll made on a five cent note book which H. B. Zachry carried in his hip pocket.

After 28 years of continued growth, weekly payrolls of 1,500 to 2,000 men with weekly wages of \$100,000 are common, and an Annual Payroll of over Four Million Dollars is a matter of history.

Two small rooms on the second floor of a drug store building in Laredo in 1928 constituted the H. B. Zachry Company offices and (See Zachry, Page 5A)



Stationed at Hondo Air Base and representative of cadets who are trained by TAI, top, left to right, Jean Barbier, Sommevoire, Haute-Marne, France; Angelo V. F. Ossanna, Seraing, Belgium; Odd Karlson, Oslo, Norway; F. Gray, Kingsport, Tenn. Below, left to right: A. P. Kleffner, Freeburg, Mo.; Simon G. Snip, Steenwyk, Netherlands; A. W. Andresen, Sonderborg, Denmark.

STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD TRAIN AT HAB

By Bill Childs

After two years of operations, Hondo Air Base has become world-wide in scope—if the activities of former students are considered. From Korea (where it rains) to Marrakech (where it's dry like here) one-time trainees at Hondo are carrying on the duties for which they began their studying here. The personnel of Texas Aviation Industries can, if the ever-present pressure of the current program will allow, congratulate themselves on making a real contribution to the world-wide battle against Communism in the 1,000 or so pilots who have graduated from Primary Pilot Training here.

France, Belgium, Italy

Naturally, the bulk of these pilot trainees have been students from the United States, but all countries of the Mutual Defense Assistance Program have been represented. The majority of the MDAP students have come from France, with Belgium, Italy, The Netherlands closely following in number of students. Denmark,

Norway, Portugal, England, Turkey and Iran have also sent students here to be trained. In all, approximately 250 Allied students have flown the skies over Medina County in the 11 classes to graduate so far. The ratio of MDAP students to U. S. students has averaged nearly one Allied student to four U. S. students.

Reservist's Refresher Course

Approximately 350 recalled reservists were given a refresher training course at Hondo in 1953, qualifying these men to be assigned to flying jobs throughout the Air Force and providing various commands in the Air Force with seasoned, combat-experienced officers to balance the expansion program. Besides the flying training received here, these officers were also able to transition from veterans to the old "brown shoe, floppy hat, war-time Air Force," as one officer phrased it, to the new Air Force.

Base Auxiliary

The training program itself has changed in the two years Hondo Air Base has been in operation.

With the student receiving pre-flight training prior to coming to Hondo, he is able to do more actual flying while here. With the addition of the Base Auxiliary on Hondo Air Base, instruction in light planes can be given here. In line with the Training objective of better students for fewer dollars, the light plane program, by substituting a 105 horsepower aircraft for a 650 horsepower one, can cut costs per student graduated. Anyone with the ability to drive a car can fly an airplane, but since not everyone can pick up this skill as fast as the training program demands it, some men are eliminated. Most students are eliminated in the early pre-solo phase of the course which is where the light plane portion of the course has been added. Although the first class under the new program has not graduated yet, results so far are very promising. Eliminations under the old system were between 25 and 33 per cent, and are significantly lower in the classes now in training.

JOHN SHERIDAN, TREASURER AND COMPTROLLER FOR TAI AT HONDO

John Sheridan first came to Hondo in 1942 as a construction accountant before the opening of Hondo Navigation School, the biggest navigation training school in the world. John Sheridan met up with for the first time, the H. B. Zachry Company, construction engineers who had the extremely difficult job of building the field in 60 days.

When Sheridan returned to Hondo in 1951 with the re-activation of Hondo as a contract flying school, he came with Texas Aviation Industries as Comptroller and Treasurer for that tremendous organization.

John Sheridan was born in Brady, Texas, and maintains he attended almost every public school in the state.

From the time he graduated and started on his first job he has worked with construction companies. He states he learned everything he knows, which, as reputation will have it, is a very great deal about budgeting in the construction business, by working.

At Hondo, Sheridan has about thirty-one people working for him and a great many of them from the Medina County area. All accounting, budgets and financial affairs are taken care of by this department, the Comptroller's office.

Sheridan is married to a Lubbock girl. They have two sons, David and Bobbie Johns. David is ten years old and attends James



Mr. John Sheridan

Madison School in San Antonio. On July 2, Bobbie Johns at the age of twenty was inducted into the Air Force at Lackland. There is one other member of the Sheridan family, a very beautiful collie dog.

The Sheridans live at 115 Windsor Drive in San Antonio.

In asking Mr. Sheridan how he climbed so far in such a short time, he replied, "it was all by hard experience."

One of the activities at Hondo Air Base which is not directly concerned with the training of pilots is nevertheless one of the more important and worthwhile, since it directly affects the welfare of base personnel. This organization, the Hondo Air Base Federal Credit Union, has only been in existence since the early part of this year but has grown healthily and steadily since. At this time, the organization has nearly \$25,000 in savings and loans on its books.

HAB HAS OWN CREDIT UNION

Through systematic savings, members are helping themselves to raise their standard of living, and through the loan provisions of the plan, are providing themselves with a fund on which they can rely for cash for worthwhile uses. Although only about one-third of the employees of TAI are now members, it is the goal of the officers of the Credit Union to bring everyone into the organization. An account may be opened at any time, with any

amount, and deposits made at any time and in any amount. Shares in the organization are \$5 each, and profits made on investments such as loans to members are divided on a share basis. The operation is conducted under rules laid down by the Federal government. President of the Hondo Credit Union is Dyke F. Meyer, who succeeded to this office when J. M. Sedberry was recalled to active duty with the Air Force. R. J. Conaton is the treasurer of the organization.

JOHN CAPE HEADS TAI IN HONDO

Mr. John D. Cape is executive in charge of the operation.

Col. Cape came from San Marcos, where he was born and received his elementary and high school education in the public schools. From San Marcos schools Cape went to A & M where he studied Civil Engineering. He graduated from A & M College as honor graduate both in the school and ROTC, and received the honor of Colonel of the Infantry Regiment in the Cadet Corps.

Kelly Field Machine Guns

Upon graduation, Cape went into the service as a 2nd Lt., and was sent up to Fort Benning, Ga., to the small arms school of fire. When he finished at Ft. Benning, he was assigned to Kelly Field as an instructor.

Doolittle, Lindberg, Weyland

In his days there he became acquainted with a group of young men who were to become some of the most famous fliers in the world. They were Jimmy Doolittle, Charles Lindberg and Gen. Otto Weyland.

Cape's duties at Kelly were to teach the Air Force how to fire and operate machine guns and airplanes. After remaining in the service for about three years, Cape left the Air Force and was quickly hired by the Texas Power and Light Company, of Electric Bond and Share of New York. Here he was assigned to the en-

Kelly Field Again

In June 1941, Cape was called back to the service, as a captain in the reserves and went into the Air Force as a pilot, assigned to Kelly Field.

Australia

From Kelly, Cape was sent overseas in May of 1942. He was named Commander of the 4th Air Depot Group, which was the first and largest service group sent to the Pacific. Cape was stationed on the mainland of Australia, and served in that area for 43 months.

Executive Officer

Sometime later, Col. Cape was relieved and sent up as Executive Officer of the Advanced Eschelon of the Air Force Service Command. He was assigned as assistant to the Chief of Staff, of the 5th Air Force Service Command.

Chief of Staff

In October of 1945, Cape was appointed Chief of Staff of the AF Service Command, where, as such he became director of personnel and was personally responsible to the Commanding General of the Far East Air Forces.

Cape returned to the United States in December of 1946, and upon his discharge went to work for H. B. Zachry as manager of the Transit Tower, and President and General Manager of the Transit Tower Corporation.



Mr. John D. Cape

engineering section as Chief of River and Land Section of the engineering department.

In 1930 Cape left TP&L, and went to work for the Alamo Iron Works in San Antonio, and remained with that Company until 1934 in the machinery department.

CAA Airport Designer

The CAA in Washington came along around 1934 and got Cape to go to work for them in the Airport section. Cape's duty was the designing and development of airports for military use. Under him, such fields as Westover and Holyoke came into being. And it was at this time that Mr. Cape transferred his reserve officer's rating over to the Air Force.

San Antonio's Municipal Airport

In 1938, when Maury Maverick was elected Mayor of the City of San Antonio, Maverick put in a request to the CAA for the loan of Cape. At that time Stinson Field had to be either enlarged or moved, and as Stinson was surrounded by airfields, it was thought best to build a new municipal airport in a safer location for the city of San Antonio.

Cape came to San Antonio as Director of Municipal airports for the purpose of locating and building this new municipal airport. Cape located what is now known as the San Antonio International Airport, and designed the original master plan which was used in the building of that famous field.

As to his personal life, Mr. Cape married in 1925, Margaret Martindale, daughter of a distinguished family, the W. W. Martindales of San Marcos and San Antonio. The Capes have one daughter, Margie, who is eleven years old and will attend Alamo Heights Junior High School this coming year. Cape is a golf enthusiast, and when he goes fishing down around San Marcos or the Coast, you'll usually find Margie fishing right along side of him. Margie is also an expert swimmer.

Mrs. Cape is the President of the Blue Birds and Garden Club, and a member of the San Antonio Junior League. The family attends the Laurel Heights Methodist Church, where Margie is a member of the Junior Choir.

Cape is a member of the San Antonio Country Club, the Texas Cavaliers, and an ex-commander of that group, the Conopse Lunch Club and the San Antonio German Club.

During his lifetime Cape has received such outstanding honors as the Legion of Merit, with two oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star, and holds all campaign ribbons for the Pacific Campaign, with the New Guinea ribbon and three battle stars.

Cape's great interest at this time is the new home which they have just bought at 251 Primera Drive. He claims to like to "piddle" around in the yard but says he is "absolutely no gardener."

T-Sgt. John Allen At HAB Hospital

When we started on the story of the Hondo Air Base Hospital, in looking over the people who have been around and about, we were particularly interested in John Allen, a Tech-Sergeant who came to Hondo when it was first re-activated. Then, too Allen served with the medical corps overseas for a mighty long time.

Allen was born in Ada, Okla., and attended school in Seminole. Upon his graduation in 1947, he entered the service at Lackland as a private. Allen took his basic

training at Randolph, and spent eight weeks in surgical training at Fort Sam Houston.

Sgt. Allen was sent with the medical corps overseas and remained at Misawa Air Base in Japan for twenty-seven months. He spent some time in surgery while there, then later transferred over to administration work with the medical corps.

After returning to the states, Allen was re-assigned to Vance Air Base in Oklahoma and in 1951 came to Hondo with the advance party.

Allen is married and has one little girl who will be two in August. The Allens live at 1001-22nd Street.

THE QUAIL OF SOUTH TEXAS

In years when the rains visit the usually arid Southwest of the United States, little coveys of blue-gray quail may be reasonably abundant except where overgrazing may have cancelled out the advantages brought by the rains. These quail range from western Oklahoma, western Texas and southern Colorado south through Arizona and New Mexico to southern Sonora and northern Chihuahua. Scurrying must well be defined as the way in which these pleasing animals get over the ground. They may move slowly for a few initial steps, but when they decide that it is best to be elsewhere they move and move rapidly.

Scaled quail are to be found in two varieties: The Arizona Scaled Quail, whose range is much as described; and the Chestnut bellied Scaled Quail, whose range in the United States is limited to southern Texas but which is more generally thought of as a Mexican bird.

These quail are typical of the desert country though they are often the commonest quail around ranch houses and associated cultivated lands. In the fall months they are likely to be found at slightly higher elevations than is the case during the nesting season. However, a covey may spend its entire lifetime within a relatively small area. The abundance of the quail varies definitely with the nature of the season. In dry years there may appear to be no young birds, while in more favorable seasons there may be a number of broods and plenty of young to be seen.

The Scaled Quail are also called "blue quail" and "cotton-tops" and as is so often the case, a combination of these common names gives us a reasonable description of the animal. The general effect is a light blue. The feathers of the neck and breast are a light gray-blue with dark borders making the animals appear to be scaled. The top of the head has a short crest that is white-tipped giving the name of cotton-top and white-top. The back, tail and wings may appear to be dull brownish. The wings at rest may be marked on their inner margins by a white streak. The young birds of the year are almost indistinguishable from the adults except for their smaller size. The very young may show a brownish crest and many of the feathers have white shaft streaks that do not appear in the mature birds.

The Scaled Quail is about 1 foot in length. It builds its nest under low vegetation, sometimes in a grain field. From 12 to 14 thick-shelled, lusterless, creamy eggs, usually dotted with reddish brown are laid. The food of these quail is more largely insects than is the case with most other quails and may be up to 29 per cent animal matter. About 50 per cent of the total food is weed seeds and the remaining part is fruits.

Apparently the recuperative power of the Scaled Quail is such that with reasonable management its numbers may be maintained in the area where it is normally found. It is with the determination of what these management practices may be and the application of what is known about wildlife in general that the National Wildlife Federation is concerned.

Newspaper Ads Pay, J. C. Penney States

CHICAGO — Newspaper advertising is a necessity to retail merchants, according to J. C. Penney.

The founder of the nation-wide Penney chain stores told members attending the 69th annual spring meeting of the Inland Daily Press assn. at the Congress hotel here that his stores spent most of their advertising dollar for newspaper space.

"We spend the bulk of our advertising dollars in newspapers," he said. "It seems perfectly natural to us that retailers can no more live without newspapers than newspapers can live without retail advertising."

Mr. Penney deplored dishonesty in advertising, and called for the newsmen to correct such situations.

"I deplore the generally accepted kind of advertising that tries to make people believe no product is worthy but the product being advertised," he said. "I deplore the implication that no advertiser is honest and sincere but the one whose advertising is being read."

The Penney president gave credit to newspaper advertising as a major aid in the building of his 1,640 stores throughout the country.

"We can't do business without newspaper advertising," he said. "The newspapers are our market place, where we come to cry our wares."

Explaining his reasons for relying on newspaper advertising, Mr. Penney said newspapers provide the best means of attracting the attention of a potential customer.

"The door of his home is open to it; he spends money to bring it into his home; he and his family want to read it," Mr. Penney said. "That is why newspaper advertising is so likely to be read and acted upon."

Grandma, who used to work at the spinning wheel, now has a daughter who likes roulette, too.

According to statistics, women live four years longer than men. So, you might as well give up, fellers, the wife will get in the last word anyway.

Bill Jaegli In Rockport Fishing Spree

ROCKPORT — Rockport has a new 1953 fishing champ—and he traveled a distance of 544 miles to win the honor.

He's Lloyd Richardson of Chil-dress, whose party came all the way from the edge of the Texas Panhandle to chalk up the biggest catch of the biggest fishing year in the recent history of this famed seaside resort city.

The Richardson catch of 302 choice fish was reported today to the Rockport Chamber of Commerce.

Included were 258 trout, 38 red fish, and 6 drum. The previous top Rockport catch was 295 trout, reported 4 weeks ago by V. C. Gillon of Ft. Worth.

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• Everglaze Prints.
• Striped Chambray.
• Plisse and French Crepe.

39c

FlyTAF SPANS COUNTRY

The Air Force element charged with molding green civilian pilots into precision pilots and observers marked its second year of operation May 1, slightly more than a month after the tenth anniversary of Air Training Command.

The unit is FlyTAF—Flying Training Air Force—which has headquarters in Waco, where commander, Maj. General G. Disoway, supervises training at installations spanning the country from Florida to California. FlyTAF is the largest known flying training organization in the world. It employs more than 40,000 officers and aircrew and approximately 12,000 students are undergoing training at all times. In the two years of operation it has produced pilots for the U. S. at a projected rate of approximately 2,000 a year and it has trained approximately 2,000 pilots for other North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries under the Mutual Defense Assistance Program. Observer trainees are programmed to graduate at approximately a 10 per cent rate during 1953. FlyTAF formed in 1951 as a component of Air Training Command when the Command decentralized into two training Air Forces to cope with rapid expansion of the air arm following the break in Korea.

The other training Command component was Technical Training Air Force. Eleven months after FlyTAF organized, a third component to ease the FlyTAF workload became imperative for efficient operation and Crew Training Air Force formed from the nucleus of six FlyTAF bases. The more FlyTAF bases went to CrewTAF later.

This Air Training Command has three training air forces, provides every pilot, observer, and technician for every unit of the Air Force. FlyTAF provides the flying instructors, TechTAF the technical members. CrewTAF molds products of both air forces into integrated combat crews for

Strategic Air Command's bomber, Tactical Air Command's fighters, Air Defense Command's interceptors and for every other operational unit in the nation's air arm.

Since FlyTAF organized growth and major improvements in training techniques have been prominent characteristics.

When the headquarters was set up in Waco 17 bases were under its jurisdiction, three of them civilian contract primary pilot training schools. In spite of the loss of eight bases to CrewTAF the size of the Command has doubled and the number of contract bases tripled.

Now virtually nine-tenths of the Air Force's primary training—the first flying course for student pilots—is done by civilian aviation industries under contract with the Air Force and supervised directly by FlyTAF.

It was in this phase of training that developed one of the most significant flying training improvements of the past 10 years.

Designed to save taxpayer dollars and at the same time give more and better training to student pilots, the improvement required complete revamping of the pilot training program in mid-November 1952.

Three major changes characterize the new system:

1. The pre-flight phase of training doubled from six to twelve weeks and is administered by TechTAF.

2. Flying time increased to 145 hours but in the same 24-week span as the former 130-hour course.

3. Light, low-powered aircraft are used in the first six weeks of the flying phase instead of the standard high-powered T-6.

The three major changes are in the primary phase of training. In the basic phase, where students learn to fly combat-type aircraft, flying time has been reduced from 135 to 120 hours. But of the 120 hours 80 are in combat-type aircraft and 40 in transition trainers. Under the former



Photographed on a visit to Hondo Air Base, General Hoyt Vandenberg. With him are, center, Dyke Meyer, director of Training for Texas Aviation Industries and left, Luther S. Smith, former vice president of TAI.

system students flew 65 hours in combat-type planes and 70 in the trainers.

The new program eliminates during the relatively inexpensive light-plane phase a bulk of trainees who under the former system would wash out after completing a large, expensive portion of T-6 training.

Dollar savings under the new system is so great FlyTAF officials estimate they can make a

43 per cent yearly pilot output increase with only a 10 per cent increase in cost. It allows students at FlyTAF's nine contract and one military primary training bases combined to fly approximately 193,000 hours every six weeks at approximately the same cost per pilot as the former 155,000 hour program. FlyTAF's other broad category

of training—aerial observer training program to provide men with a fundamental knowledge of electronics instead of the World War II method of specialized training in navigation or bombardment fields.

The old titles of navigator and bombardier went out with his new concept of training which began in September 1951.

Last March further changes were made in the aerial observer program so that now its training parallels the format of pilot training.

When the new pilot training system went into effect it meant pilots were getting more hours of officer training than their observer counterparts because of the 12-week pre-flight course.

Last March observer students began a 12-week pre-flight course similar in scope to pilot pre-flight. The courses are conducted separately but both at Lackland AFB, Texas.

When observers finish pre-flight they advance to primary training to learn fundamentals of electronics the same as pilot pre-flight graduates enter primary training to learn fundamentals of flying.

Next course for observers is basic training where they specialize in navigation, radar bombardment, radar observation for all-weather fighters or any one of nine other fields.

Similarly pilot students graduate from primary to basic training

to specialize in either single or multi-engine flying.

Standardization of course design—also has undergone major changes during the past 2 years.

Increased use of vital electronic equipment in military aircraft shortly after FlyTAF organized demanded modification of the design for cadets guarantees products of both types of training equally qualified for their future roles as Air Force officers.

Students who enter pilot or observer training from officer ranks are exempt from the pre-flight course and certain courses in the primary and basic phases.

FlyTAF's nine civilian contract primary pilot training schools are Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.; Spence Air Base, Ga.; Hondo Air Base, Texas; Bartow Air Base, Fla.; Malden Air Base, Mo.; Bainbridge Air Base, Ga.; Marana Air Base, Ariz.; Stallings Air Base, N. C.; and Graham Air Base, Fla.

One completely military operated primary school, Goodfellow AFB, Texas, serves as a working model for civilian contractors.

Scarcely more than a year and a half after FlyTAF had been in operation the Command made an advancement that aviation men the world over marked down as perhaps the most significant since 50 years ago when Wilbur and Orville Wright coaxed a power-driven, man-carrying flying machine off the ground for 12 seconds.

On December 19, 1952, FlyTAF trained the Air Force's last pilot for propeller-driven fighter planes. From that date fighter

pilots have been taught to fly jets, nothing else.

The last class of F-51 pilots graduated at Craig AFB, Ala., which since has become FlyTAF's instructor school.

Training aircraft of course still are propeller-driven types. But now all basic single engine graduates are skilled jet pilots, ready to enter crew training and learn to use their jets as weapons.

Basic single engine jet training now is carried out at nine bases. They are Williams AFB, Ariz.; Bryan AFB, Texas; Craig, Ala.; Webb AFB, Texas; Laredo AFB, Texas; Foster AFB, Texas; Greenville AFB, Miss.; and J. S. Connally AFB, Texas.

Home of the Air Force navigation training is Ellington AFB, Texas. Harlingen AFB, Texas is a primary aerial observer-bombardment (AOB) school and March AFB, Calif., is a post-graduate AOB School to cross train navigators and bombardiers in each other's skills and add radar observation to their talents.

Helicopter and liaison pilots and mechanics for the Army, Navy and Air Force are trained by FlyTAF at San Marcos, Texas. Increased emphasis is being given this training because of success of helicopters in rescue work in Korea.

Continued improvements in the equipment and aircraft demand continued improvements in methods to train the men who will operate them. Using past performance as a gauge, Flying Training Air Force can guarantee to keep pace in the future.

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Wade K. Tomme, Chaplain Hails From Onalaska, Texas

Chaplain Wade Kennon Tomme was born in Onalaska, Texas, and attended public schools in Onalaska and Livingston, Texas. His first assignment as a civilian student pastor was at Grapeland, Texas. The second student assignment was at Lovelady-Riverside, Lovelady, Texas.

Chaplain Tomme attended Lon Morris Junior College in Jacksonville, Texas, and in his second year was President of the Student Body. The last two years of undergraduate work were at Sam Houston State Teachers' College at Huntsville, Texas, and in the Senior year, he was vice-president of the Student Body. He was a member of the Dramatic Club, and in his junior and senior years was a member of the college debating team. After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Social Science and Speech, he graduated with a permanent high school teacher's certificate. After graduation, Chaplain Tomme enrolled in Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. After Seminary training he entered the Army as a chaplain in 1945, and served three years in the Pacific. One assignment during that time was "Honor Guard Chaplain" for Gen. Douglas MacArthur. It was during this assignment that Chaplain Tomme met a civilian, Mary Elizabeth Smith, who was the musical director for the Armed Forces Radio Network of the Far East Command. After the normal period of courtship, Chaplain and Miss Smith were married in Tokyo. Chaplain and Mrs. Tomme returned to the States in May of 1948, and Chaplain Tomme was released from active duty. He then enrolled at Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, California and completed 2 years of graduate work. He then accepted a position in the largest downtown Methodist Church in San Francisco, California and served that church until being recalled to active duty in the Air Force in September of 1950. His first assignment, after a refresher course in the Chaplain's School, was at Ellington Air

Force Base, Houston, Texas. Chaplain Tomme came to Hondo in 1951 to help open Hondo Air Base and has been serving as Base Chaplain. Chaplain and Mrs. Tomme have one daughter, Elizabeth Anne, two years old.

THE AIR FORCE CHAPLAIN

An Air Force Chaplain is first and foremost a minister, priest, or a rabbi in uniform. Regardless of his affiliation with the Armed Services, he is loaned by his own specific denomination to the Armed Forces to take the Church to the men and women in uniform. Chaplains are never called by their rank. The official title is "Chaplain." The presence of the Chaplain in the Armed Services is a constant reminder that we are a religious nation and are concerned for the spiritual welfare of each individual in uniform. The Chaplain's first job is to exert a spiritual and religious influence with the personnel he serves.

All chaplains are highly trained in their professional calling. Each Chaplain has at least four years college and three years of graduate study some seminary. He is highly trained and specialized and is a specialist in his own right in the Armed Services. After the completion of this training he is required to serve a civilian parish for at least two years before entering the Chaplaincy. Each chaplain is recommended by his own denomination before acceptance into the Armed Services with a direct commission as a chaplain. The overall program of all Air Force Chaplains can be stated in the following outline of the six-point program of the Chief of Air Force Chaplains.

Worship - To provide adequate religious services for all of the three major faiths and to conduct services for the men and women of his faith. Protestant chaplains conduct general Protestant services for all Protestant groups and are authorized to conduct a worship service for his own specific denomination. Catholic chaplains conduct the religious services for Catholic personnel and the Jewish chaplains conduct the Jewish services. All Air Force bases are required to have one Protestant Preaching Mission and one Roman Catholic Preaching Mission each year and, where Jewish chaplains are assigned, a Jewish Preaching Mission is conducted.

2. Religious Education - A full program of youth training activities, with emphasis upon religious training and a planned program of moral and ethical education for all military personnel.

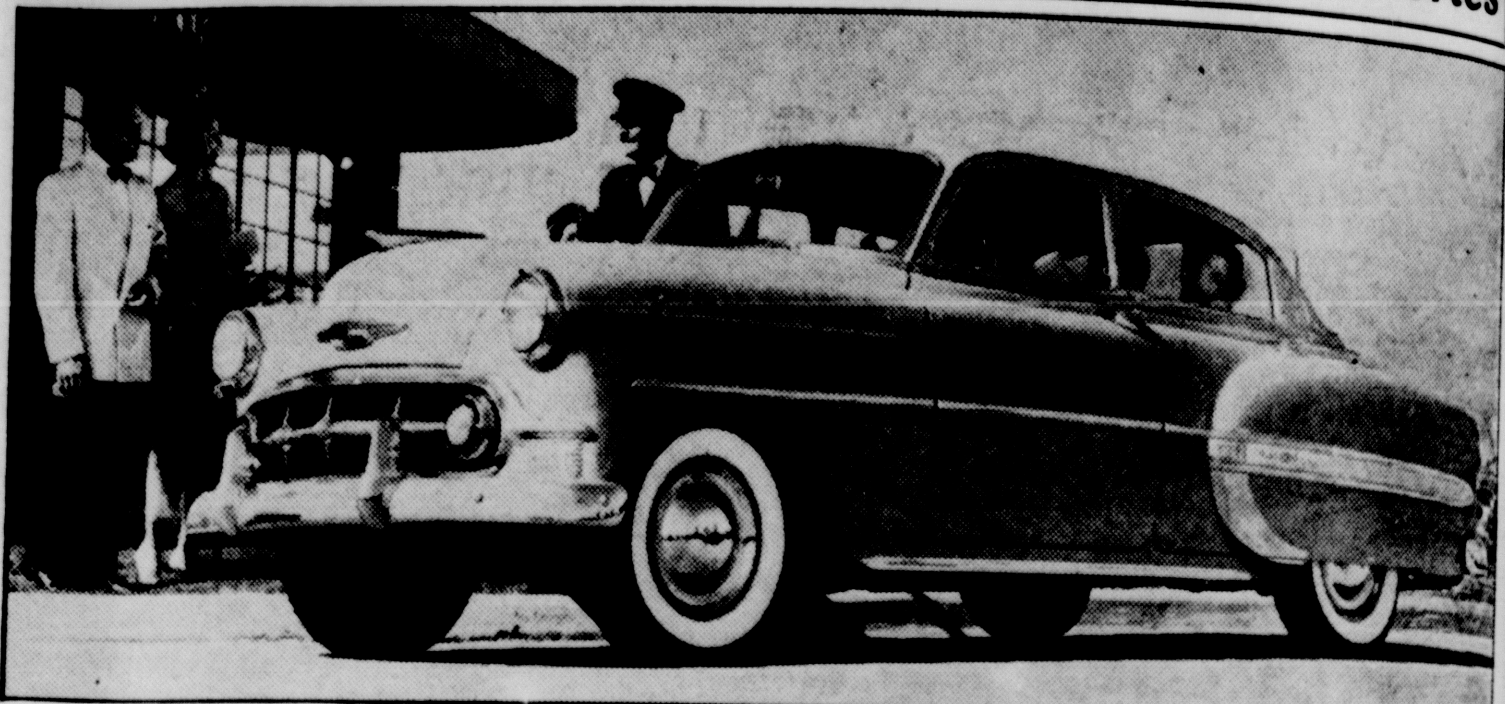
3. Personal Counseling - This includes the planned pastoral ministry to all military personnel living on and off the base, and a well planned calling program in the homes and barracks by all chaplains.

4. Humanitarian Services - In addition to the pastoral ministry in the Casualty Assistance Program, there is a planned program of instruction and training in the field of consideration and assistance to others. An example of this, both the Protestants and Roman Catholics at Hondo Air Base made special donations to assist the people of Holland following their tragic flood.

5. Cultural Services - Cultivation and presentation of opportunities for those interested to enjoy good music, drama, or discussion. This is either worked out on the base or in conjunction with the local civilian communities.

6. Public Relations - Chaplains have adequate and planned development of contact with local civilian communities, with the churches, service clubs, schools and community organizations, that the relationship of the base and the local community might be continually harmonious, and in addition, that the public might thoroughly understand the interest and program of the Air Force in the field of religion and morals. A complete and adequate public relations program is carried out with all base personnel through necessary advertisement of services and keeping the base commander informed of all activities that come under the Chaplain's supervision.

Four-Door Sedan in New Chevrolet Bel Air Series



The Bel Air four-door sedan is one of four body types with which Chevrolet pioneers a completely new series of passenger cars for 1953. Richness in exterior and interior appointments gives the series a distinction never previously achieved in the Chevrolet market. Increased performance, comfort and convenience are common to the Bel Airs and the "One-Fifty" and "Two-Ten" series.

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How To Shop at HAB'S Supply "Supermarket"

By W. C. Childs
Hondo Air Base
Hangar Four, on the north
one of the most active
ations on Hondo Air Base
"front office." The activ-
base Supply, and the man
age is Henry Gray.

41 Men On Supply Team
Possibly you have had occasion
to do business with this super-
market for the Air Base's mater-
iel, but unless you happen to be
a Unit Supply Officer or his rep-
resentative, it's probably been in
a rather remote fashion. Suppose

for a minute that we need some-
thing to accomplish our job that
isn't on hand at the moment—
like a left-handed monkey wrench
or a bucket of prop wash. Let's
see how this problem would be
handled by the 41-member,
smooth-working supply team.

You go to the boss and tell
him, "Boss, I just can't get this
report out without that prop
wash." He says, "Okay, we'll try
to get some from Supply" and the
mill begins to grind. He has the
requisition forms typed up and
off you go to Hangar Four, since

the other four issue points deal
with specialized types of mater-
iel (two for the T-6's, one for
the Cubs and one for Base Main-
tenance supplies like wire and
nails and janitorial equipment).
When you get to the hangar,
you'll see possibly Marily Huff
(voucher clerk) who checks and
vouches your papers so that you
can be issued your bucket of
prop wash. She'll send you to the
issue counter in the warehouse
where a storekeeper will find out
it isn't available. (If they use a
predictable amount of an item,
they'll usually have it on hand
for you—but this is an unusual
order, remember. Since all mater-
iel used in the operation of the
contract is on loan from the Air
Force, all AF regulations must be
complied with in order to get
your order filled.

Issuable Items

A master list of issuable items
is kept on hand in the Supply
Office, and if your need is on
this list (which covers items
ranging from Bibles for the Chap-
lain to engines for the airplanes)
the next step is just to check the
catalogues to see which depot
stocks prop wash. If your item
isn't on this list, a justification
of need must be made out. So
we'll assume it's on the list.

Requisition Work

Elsie Stanga does all the re-
quisitioning paper work and fol-
lows it through to make sure
your order isn't lost over the
desert somewhere. The order goes
in and after some delay, word
comes back from the AF Depot
that prop wash is not available
now. The next step would be to
purchase this locally or manufac-
ture it locally, whichever is cheap-
er and more practicable.

However, this latter action
can't be taken unless both the
Catalogue and AF Regulations
say "No issue, local purchase."
If one or the other says prop
wash is issued, then you have to
wait.

"Wait"

This "Wait" is the key word
to supply's problems. On most
routine items which are ordered,
a wait of from 30-90 days is cus-
tomary. That's why Supply makes
every effort to maintain an ade-
quate stock of all materiel neces-
sary for operation of the Base.

Supply Inspection

When supplies arrive at Hondo,
the supply inspector, Arnold Wen-
land, checks to see that the sup-
plies are in issuable condition. If
they are, then Mrs. Imogene Sim-

Outstanding In The Cadet Corps, Andrew P. Kleffner

When The Anvil Herald talked
with the officer in charge of ca-
dets one of the requests the news-
paper made was the selection by
Hondo Air Base of a particular
cadet who was outstanding, not
only in the cadet-training pro-
gram, but also among his fellow
cadets. There didn't seem to be
any hesitation in the selection of
the man because there was one
among them who seems to have
"been there and come back."



Andrew P. Kleffner

Andrew P. Kleffner holds many
a ribbon which he won as a Mas-
ter Sergeant in the European
campaign of World War II. He
liked the Air Force so well he
stayed in and started all over,
as a cadet. Kleffner is highly res-

person officially receives them and
off to the warehouse they go for
issue.

Department Representative

As your department supply of-
ficer's representative, you'll deal
with either Amos Finger, who
handles local issue for the T-6's,
Alton Schlentz, local issue for the
Cubs, Ivy Williams, local issue at
the Main Warehouse, or M. D.
McAnelly, petroleum supplies is-
sue.

Accounting Section

Ferd Rock is head of the Ac-
counting Section, with Ned Dur-
ham handling Accounting Rec-
ords. Each voucher turned in
must be assigned a number so
that a complete cost accounting
of every piece of property is
made. Mrs. Bess Peters handles
custodial receipts and property
location.

pected not only among his stu-
dent friends but among his in-
structors.

Andrew P. Kleffner, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Aloys Kleffner, was
born on February 23, 1926 in
Primrose, Nebraska. He's one of
six boys in the Kleffner family.

Kleffner entered the service on
July 20th, 1944, immediately fol-
lowing his graduation from high
school in Westphalia, Missouri,
where his family had moved.
Kleffner was eighteen years of
age at the time.

He began his training as an air
crew member on a B-24 and in
January of 1946 went overseas.
From France he was sent to Ger-
many as the aerial gunner on a
Black Widow P-61. And when the
famous air lift started in June of
'48, Kleffner was among the first
headquarters group that started
this great group. Kleffner stayed
with the air lift until February of
1949. During that time Kleffner
was awarded the medal for hu-
mane action which was given to
the men who served with the
"lift."

When Kleffner returned to the
states he was assigned to Ham-
ilton Field in California, to the
Inspector General's office with the
Fourth Air Force. In June of
1951 he attended the Air Uni-
versity at Maxwell Field in Ala-
bama. Following that assignment
Kleffner was sent to Utah State
Agriculture with the ROTC staff
to teach. He left Utah in March
of '52 to return to headquarters
with the Fourth Air Force at
Hamilton Field, and stayed there
until joining the cadets in Janu-
ary of 1953.

Kleffner is typical of the best
in the Air Force today, and is
an example of the kind of men
who are carefully chosen to
train for the defense of our coun-
try.

Kleffner has two younger broth-
ers also in the service, the young-
est is on a destroyer in Korean
waters.

In interviewing Kleffner, the
editor asked him if he knew why
he was the only man singled out
to be interviewed. He grinned
and said, "Aw, I just have more
service years than any one else
in the bunch." But after seeing
him and talking with him, it can
be easily said there's much more
to it than that. Kleffner has sev-
eral rows of ribbons which he
earned flying over Europe before
he was even twenty years of age.

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50 Years of Powered Flight

The Beginning

Since the beginning, man had looked to the sky. Down through the centuries he had sought the proud riddle of flight. Then on December 17, 1903, along the wind-swept dunes of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, where time had known only the complaining of sea gulls, there was born a new sound.

It was the birth cry of the air age. For here Orville Wright, with the aid of his brother Wilbur, made the world's first powered flight in a heavier than air machine. The formula had long been known; lift and thrust to exceed drag and weight; but these two men were the first to make it a reality. A flimsy contraption, their machine flew only 12 seconds. In those brief moments the barriers of space were swept away. The way lay upward.

Tiny factories produced those first awkward looking airplanes of wood and cloth, wire and bolts, hand wrought by men of great action. The air was made for pioneers those who dared, like the pathfinders of old, Curtiss, Martin and others joined with the Wrights in blazing those early hesitant sky trails.

Interest sprang up in other countries. Santos Dumont, the famed Brazilian balloonist, turned to the airplane. On July 25th, 1909, Louis Bleriot flew across the English Channel.

In 1908 the Army took to the air with the purchase of a Wright Biplane, and Congress passed a thirty thousand dollars appropriation for military aircraft.

Three years later the Navy followed the army into the sky with a three plane airforce: a Curtiss A-1, an A-2, and a Wright B-1. The infant industry was experimenting, reaching out. In 1909, Glenn Curtiss advertised the first commercial plane for sale. Maximum speed: less than fifty miles per hour.

In September, 1911, Earle Ovington flew from Massau Boulevard Airdrome to Mineola, Long Island, in the first demonstration air mail hop. This little 5 1/2 mile flight was the beginning today's vast, worldwide air mail service. As the industry slowly grew, endurance exhibitions and races against automobiles brought hundreds of thousands of spectators; but just as important were the lessons being learned in aircraft construction.

Just before World War I, a variety of plane models appeared, and in January of 1914 the U. S. Weather Bureau began daily publication of a weather map. This vital aid to navigation provided early pilots with data which often meant the difference between life and death. The ever-increasing network of scheduled airlines had its beginning on New Year's Day, 1914. A Benoist Flying boat made a hop from St. Petersburg to Tampa carrying one passenger.

Production Under Fire

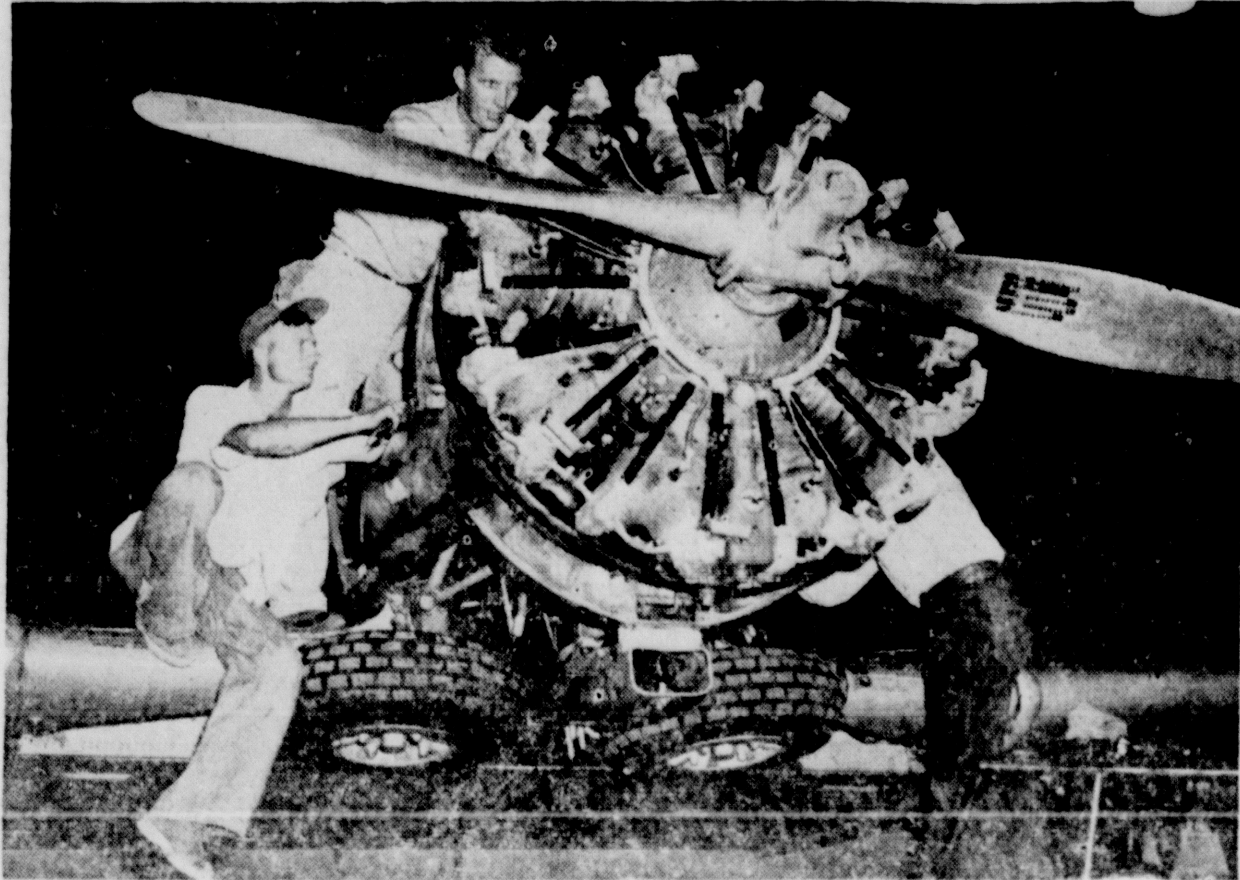
Our entry into World War I found us far behind other major powers in the air. On the government's part there had been no foresight, no planning, and as a result, our greatest contribution to the war effort was the famous liberty engine, which had been designed in three days in a Washington hotel room.

At the beginning of the war, planes had been used exclusively for observation; but soon, passing all expectations, they saw every kind of action: bombing enemy concentrations, joining in attack with ground forces, protecting their own lines. Germany's advance planning gave her early air superiority. Fast Pursuit ships, fockers and albatrosses, mounted machine guns that fired in time with the propeller. This factor enabled the Kaiser's pilots to score heavily. As the war progressed, the odds were evened by such innovations as the ring-mounted machine gun, which meant better protection and greater fire power for allied planes. A vital pool of trained pilots, technicians and designers was rapidly expanding. By the Armistice, all America was echoing the names of her own airmen: Eddie Rickenbacker, Billy Mitchell and many others. At home, our privately managed aircraft industry had accomplished a miracle. In 17 months its productive capacity had grown to 20,000 planes a year.

Post-War Trials

And yet, with the war over, the youthful industry was all but grounded. Despite enthusiasm, orders were few, and many aircraft factories were forced to close. Through dogged determination, Airmen nursed the fledgling along. Slowly the commercial usefulness of the airplane was brought home.

The first municipal airport opened in 1919 at Atlantic City, New Jersey, soon after airports began to dot the land, and the man in the street commenced to think



A major inspection of air craft at Hondo Base. Air craft inspection is a part of the work of Base Maintenance.

of distances in terms of shorter air travel time.

More dramatic benefits of aircraft were shown. Lt. Russell Meredith flew a doctor through a howling blizzard to save a dying man on an island in Lake Michigan.

During the '20s, barnstormers toured the country performing daredevil feats, but they also took up spectators in short hops, and so for the first time the public could find out what it was like to fly. The air industry was laboring to produce improved equipment. Great strides were made, especially in the development of engines and the special gasoline needed to run them efficiently.

In 1922, Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover set up the first Air Industry Conference. Four years later the government showed further recognition of the need for long range planning by authorizing contracts for air mail.

The early mail pilots, like Jack Knight, who made the first night hop from North Platte, Nebraska to Chicago, flew in all weather. Sometimes bonfires lighted by farmers at pre-arranged times guided them; sometimes little more than their faith in God. However, Congress had already passed legislation for the construction of lighted airways, emergency fields and radio beacons, and so the danger to these trail blazers was soon to be greatly reduced.

From the outset, the time value of speed had been a challenge to manufacturers. The Pulitzer races saw planes streaking over 200 miles an hour only 20 years after Kitty Hawk.

Military Developments

Meanwhile in 1921, military aviation, due to Billy Mitchell, proved the vulnerability of naval craft by sinking four captured German warships. And in 1922 the Aircraft Carrier Langley was launched. A tremendous new dimension was added to navies. The seven seas were becoming vast operating areas for combat aircraft.

Military aviation also proved its peacetime usefulness. 1924 saw army flyers averting a flood in the Platte River valley of Nebraska by bombing and clearing an ice jam. And military craft, used for surveying and map making, were proving of great value to civil commerce.

The World Begins to Shrink

As the industry grew, men of daring began to seek out far horizons, crossing the land and seas to establish new speed and distance records. On May 8th, 1919, three Navy N-C's set out for England from New York. Although two failed to make it, one of the three completed the first American transatlantic flight. It soon became an age of exploration and record breaking. In 1920, four army planes completed a round-trip flight from New York to Nome, Alaska.

In 1922, Lt. James H. Doolittle winged across the country in a little over 21 hours. To beat the sun-to-circle the earth—these dreams were becoming realities. Macready and Kelly: Cross country record 1923. Smith and Richter: Refueling in mid-air 1923.

First round - the - world flight. 1924.

Lieutenant Maughan: Cross country, dawn-to-dusk 1924.

First non-stop to Hawaii 1925.

Admiral Byrd's North Pole Flight 1926.

But the most thrilling early-distance flight of all began on a rainy spring morning when a quiet young man took off in his small, Ryan-built monoplane from Roosevelt Field, Long Island. Destination: Paris. And he made it, Charles A.

Lindbergh landed in Paris on the

21st of May, 1927, completing the first non-stop solo crossing of the Atlantic. His dramatic achievement aroused millions to the possibilities of long distance flight.

Planes Become Big Business

Swept into prominence by the epoch - making flights of Lindbergh and others, the air industry began climbing during the early thirties. By 1937 it ranked 44th in the nation and employed 33,000 persons.

The airplane was also becoming a major contributor to other businesses. Firms manufacturing rubber, radio parts, compasses, gasoline and oil, and hundreds of other products, found a growing new market. The aluminum industry depended heavily upon airplane production. As early as 1930 aircraft companies used 5 million pounds of aluminum per year. The airplane was making its impact on the economy of the world. Aircraft manufacturers, almost completely free of regulation or controls, were building heavier and better transports. In 1929 the Boeing 80-A began flights from Chicago and San Francisco. The rugged Ford Tri-motor saw service from one end of the country to the other. Carrying passengers, freight and mail, it became one of the most popular and reliable ships of the day.

With new horizons to conquer, Consolidated's "Commodore," did much to stimulate the friendship of our southern neighbors. Regular "Commodore" service to Brazil was inaugurated in 1929. In that same year, Admiral Byrd and Bernt Balchen exposed both planes and engines to the most violent weather conditions as they charted the south pole by air.

And now, with the emphasis on dependability as well as distance engineers studied and developed new means of testing the capabilities of aircraft. From tail to propeller, they learned how much stress and strain a plane could withstand. Although pilots had long practiced instrument flying, it was not until 1929 that Lt. Jas. H. Doolittle demonstrated the first blind flight. As the weather barrier was being surmounted, the public found not only greater speed but also greater efficiency in air travel.

The development of the Federal Airways System, with its all important radio navigation aids, did much to insure airline safety. Innumerable times and under adverse weather conditions, pilots flew the beam. They brought their planes down without so much as a bump, their passengers unaware of the dangers through which they had passed.

On December 22, 1929, the first ship to air radio telephone communication was established. 700 miles at sea, the steamship "Leviathan" engaged in a three way conversation with a bell laboratory plane over New Jersey and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This advancement greatly decreased the hazards of over-water travel.

Meanwhile, more extensive uses for aircraft were being found. For the farmer, crop dusting was a Godsend. As early as 1929, half a million acres of cotton were dusted to control the boll weevil. Planes were also used to rid plants of the cotton louse, leaf worm, flea hopper and bollworm.

It would be difficult to estimate the millions of acres of rich timberland saved by the airplane in its work with the United States Forest Service.

In the '30s firms began to ship perishable goods by air. Many products - orchids, lobster, pineapple, once difficult to obtain be-

cause of distance and location, could now be purchased in far off cities. Entire cities, such as Burbank and Long Beach, were becoming dependent upon aviation. As the industry expanded and grew, they were growing with it.

Abroad, Americans were busy mapping air routes to the far corners of the earth. Colonel Charles Lindbergh and his wife did invaluable work in their survey flights around the perimeters of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

Having established herself as the leading woman pilot of the day, Amelia Earhart Putnam set out to conquer the Pacific. Flying from Hawaii to California in 18 1/2 hours, she succeeded in marking more plainly the routes future airlines were to follow.

On November 29, 1935, all of Manila turned out to welcome Pan American's first "China Clipper." Winged from San Francisco via Hawaii, the big flying boat made the record hop in 59 hours, 48 minutes air time. Shortly thereafter regular passenger service to the Orient began.

In 1935, Douglas produced its famous DC-3, which became the standard equipment on major airlines. By the late '30s American industry had built the most efficient air service in the world. And soon even our four-engined ships were known all over the globe. U. S. Airlines in 1940 chalked up a full year of flying without a fatal accident or serious injury to a single passenger or crew member. Now a network of airways reached to every corner of the United States and stretched far across the seas. Airlines employed nearly 40,000 wage earners, carried close to 3 million passengers a year. In 1940 aircraft factories turned out nearly 13,000 planes, employed 178,489 people. On December 7th, 1941, we had 17,000 commercial and private aircraft, and 63,000 civilian pilots. Commercially, aviation had come of age.

AIRPOWER AT WAR

The awful carnage reaped at Pearl Harbor by a force of 105 Japanese planes brought home with stunning, brutal impact the truths that a few Billy Mitchells had tried to tell for years: he who controls the air dominates the land and the sea. It took the sinking of a large part of our fleet to teach us the lesson. Fortunately for America, our naval air arm was already at sea, and its presence helped to prevent an invasion of Hawaii.

Even though Chennault's Flying Tigers had been able to rack up an impressive record, we knew our early combat planes were slower than the light, unarmored enemy fighters. But American aircraft designers and manufacturers began packing more power and speed into their fighters and bombers. Soon production lines were turning out planes by the thousands. We built our planes to stand up under fire. Our returning Liberators reached their home bases safely and her crew and hundreds of others often owed their lives to the men and women on the home front. As the war progressed, improvements piled one upon another. Better maneuverability and range, greater visibility, self-sealing gas tanks and more fire power enable allied pilots to cut down the axis war potential. Planes grew larger and more complicated, requiring closer team work between pilots and crews, but their size and efficiency made it possible to deliver bomb loads deeper into enemy territory. Daring and successful missions were carried out. The devastating low-level attack on the Roumanian Ploesti Oil Refineries by 177 Liberators in August

of 1943 severely curtailed Germany's fuel supplies.

Air strategy finally led to mass bombings such as the Hamburg raid of December, 1944. 1,300 medium and heavy bombers of the 8th Air Force struck at the very heart of the Reich in the war's biggest and most destructive raid. By this time American aircraft production had made 1,000 plane armadas commonplace. The airplane created a new method of attack. Paratroopers, dropping behind enemy positions, were sometimes able to surprise and defeat superior forces. Late in the conflict, a new and radical British plane, developed by Air Commodore Frank Whittle, streaked toward the sky. This flash of silver wings heralded a new era of flight the jet age.

In the six years of hard-fought conflict the strategy of war underwent major changes. The great naval battles in the Pacific; Midway, the Carolines, the Marianas, the Philippines, illustrated graphically that it was now possible for a task force to cruise hundreds of miles from land enemy fleet and win a decisive victory.

Although England's shores had not been invaded since the time of William the Conqueror, in 1940 Hitler's armies were preparing to sweep across the channel. Germans could knock out her air arm, England was through. But indomitable RAF pilots put an end to this dream. Four years later, Allied armies smashed ashore at Normandy. Had the men who hit those beaches not been shielded by an overwhelming umbrella of fighters and bombers, the operation would have been impossible. And so, once again, the lesson was hammered home: he who holds the skies, holds the key to victory.

At 9:15 A. M. August 6, 1945, the B-29 "Enola Gay" dropped an atom bomb on Hiroshima. Nine days later the most terrible war in the history of the world had come to an end.

The Plane Becomes Vital
With peace, the American public's pent-up urge to travel resulted in even more extended airline schedules. Fly to Bermuda for a vacation; fly to the coast

to see the folks; fly home from college; fly for business and fly for pleasure. And what else can planes do but fly? "Operation Haylift" saved the lives of thousands of cattle trapped on the western plains by killing blizzards. The helicopter, which evolved out of World War II, now serves on the farms. In the future it may well become the quickest and best method for planting large areas.

The Berlin Airlift in 1948 and 1949 kept the people of Western Berlin from possible starvation and certain Soviet domination. In 1946, aircraft, carrying newly developed radar instruments, began to unmask the spectre of the hurricane. The valuable weather information they now gain means that these disastrous storms can no longer smash whole areas of our coastline without warning. The Civil Air Patrol, with 80,986 members and 8,200 planes serves Americans everywhere. When the western section of Oregon was swept by floods in the winter of 1952, CAP flyers brought aid and rescue to thousands. Today more and more young Americans are looking to aviation as a career. In 1953, a program was started to offer aviation in every one of America's public and private schools.

Heads of state, as well as the man in the street, use American manufactured airplanes as a standard means of travel. When Princess Elizabeth flew to Canada in 1951, she travelled in a Boeing Strato-Cruiser. This, and other American planes, comprise eighty per cent of all commercial aircraft in use throughout the world.

KOREAN INTERVAL

When the Communists invaded South Korea, our Air Force began to operate around the clock. American manufacturers produced aircraft that gave our pilots protective armor, versatility, and a combat ratio of 9 to 1 over the Russian MIG. The "dough-foot" thanked God for our planes. In the retreat from Chosin, they brought him ammunition and food, and kept the Chinese hordes off his flank. Carrier based naval and marine pilots ranged far behind enemy lines to destroy supply and communication centers.

When an infantryman was aircraft got him out fast by the line by helicopter and the "evac" centers by "hospitals." Although there has been drastic government cuts a new buildup began after North Korean attack. By 1952 military plane took off for the east every 45 minutes.

TODAY'S AIR WORLD
In its first 50 years, the plane has brought distant countries within easy reach and affected all our lives. In United States alone 300,000,000 people live within 62,000,000 can now rely on the air airline service. Like a tree that points to the stars whose roots are deeply and irrevocably buried in the earth, aviation industry has become a major bulwark in the American economy. There are more than 60,000 subcontractors supplying the aircraft industry. Entire communities and towns owe their very existence to the airplane. And so, from that first faltering flight just half a century ago, we have seen a dream become a reality. We have seen it progress to now the aircraft industry is a necessary part of our lives, continued growth vital to national safety.

AND TOMORROW
Less than a lifetime ago man was earthbound, now he has but completed the settlement of his own air sea and beyond the exploration of outer space. One can only guess at what will find out there. But the thing we can be sure of is the same spirit and courage guided the Wright Brothers to guide man further in this conquest. Somewhere in the realm of tomorrow lie the seeds of the future. The above story was written by the National Committee to serve the 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight, with James Doolittle as Chairman, 1405 St. N. W. Washington 5, D. C. This history of flight from very beginning was compiled and written under the auspices of the National Committee to observe the 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight with James Doolittle as Chairman of Committee.

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to the personnel of Texas Aviation Industries and the U. S. Air Force:

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urance of a strong defense capable of meeting any enemy

which might threaten the security of our nation.

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Day In The Life Of A Cadet At Hondo Air Base

people of Hondo may not know why it is the aviation cadet has so little time to spend on anything other than flying. Actually, the truth of the matter lies behind the fact that the aviation cadet has a goal in mind. This goal is his commission as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force. To obtain these he is required to undergo a training which is far afield from

any of his civilian experiences and which requires the strictest perseverance. If you looked in on the Hondo Air Base you would find the typical cadet day starting at five-forty-five in the morning. It seems a very early hour but like the farmer who has a full day's work, the cadet has many necessary things to accomplish during his typical day. After reveille is sounded the cadet has approximately ten minutes to dress and fall out for reveille formation. The formation completed, the cadet returns to the barracks, shaves and washes for breakfast.

A short fifteen minutes elapses and "chow" formation is then sounded. The cadets march off for their morning breakfast which will give them the needed nourishment for the proper performance of their duties. Breakfast completed the cadet heads for his barracks to complete the daily inspection requirements of making his room ready—in inspection order—which is no small task. By six forty-five the cadets are to march off to the line for flight training. This is the most enjoyable part of the day, for here the cadet is in physical contact with the thing he likes most—flying.

During his time at the flight line he is assigned to a group numbering four cadets under a flying instructor. As much as he likes to fly he must take his turn on the ground studying maneuvers of planes taxiing out for takeoff, and familiarizing himself with instruments through use of the link trainer. When his period to fly does come, his instructor may fly with him dual or send him up solo to work on some specific maneuvers.

At noontime you will find the cadets on their way back from the flight line and hastily changing uniforms from flying suits to the prescribed uniform of the day either khakis or blues. Another chow formation is held and the cadets march off for their noon meal. The afternoon is begun with a "free" period following dinner. This time can be used at the cadet's own option for writing letters, making purchases at the school store—PX—or lounging in the new and comfortable cadet club.

Since practical experience alone is not sufficient to a highly technical air force, the cadet spends his afternoon in "ground school." Here he receives the academic part of his flying program and learns such things as principles of flight so that he may have a keener insight of flying and thus enhance his own ability. When academics are finished for the day, a quick change is made and the cadet again assembles in formation to march off for "PT"—physical training. After a few calisthenics the cadets break into groups to play baseball, volleyball, swim, run, or work out on the "bars" on the athletic field.

PT not only helps the cadet to keep his body physically sound for flying but it promotes a healthy team spirit so necessary to our great Air Force. Finally, the blowing of a whistle will call a halt to PT and reforming into flights the cadets march back to their barracks to shower and dress for Retreat. Following Retreat, supper is enjoyed with the added anticipation of a few free hours before Taps.

After supper the upperclass may use the cadet club until nine and the fourth class until call to quarters at eight. Here the cadets may lounge, read, play games, or purchase sandwiches, milk-shakes and coffee. During these hours following the evening meal the cadets may go over the high points of their day, recalling some humorous experience or making plans for the next. However, there is always studying to do and letters to write—or perhaps a pair of shoes to shine. Shoes unshined are only one discrepancy a cadet may be called on and awarded demerits—which received in sufficient quantities can restrict him from that coveted "Week-end pass."

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From Wire, Wood And Muslin To Space And Rocket Ships

It was a thing of wire, wood, muslin and the dreams of two unknown bicycle makers from Dayton, Ohio. And it lifted man from earth on his first hesitant step on the road to the stars. The dreams of Wilbur and Orville Wright weren't exciting to many people. Only a half dozen bothered to see the first flight. It was December 17, 1903. It was a cold, blustery day—blustery as only a winter day on the Atlantic Coast can be. Four miles south of Kitty Hawk, N. C., the Wright brothers readied their invention on the sand dunes known locally as Kill Devil Hill. The invention wasn't impressive. It looked like an overgrown box kite with skids on the bottom. A crude engine of 12 horsepower sputtered, caught, and started twirling a handcarved wooden propeller. The brothers had tossed a coin for the privilege of a first try. Orville won.

By today's standards it wasn't much of a flight. The machine stayed in the air 12 seconds and covered 120 feet. But it stayed in the air for 12 seconds under its own power. The Wright brothers had accomplished the dream of centuries and made it possible for man to leave the earth's surface in a heavier-than-air, self-propelled craft. Progress, since that modest beginning has been enormous. Less than 50 years later, in August, 1951, the Douglas D-558-2 Skyrocket hurtled through the upper atmosphere at a speed of 1,238 miles per hour and rocketed to an altitude of 79,494 feet—all of this with a pilot, Bill Bridgeman, at the controls. Now on the fiftieth anniversary of the first powered flight, we are testing aircraft that are approaching the heat barrier. Pilotless aircraft are slim fingers probing space hundreds of miles above the earth. The steps to the stars are coming faster. The story of these 50 years is the story of many steps. Some were small and some were large. All point the way to the stars because all made it possible to fly farther, faster and higher. Following the Wright brothers' lead, men began to batter at the aerial barrier above them. Only four and one-half years after the first flight, on July 4, 1908, Glenn H. Curtiss flew his biplane the "June Bug" one mile. A year later Louis Bleriot flew across the English Channel, a distance of 31 miles, in 37 minutes. It didn't take long to join the wonders of electricity to that of flight, either. A Canadian, J. A. D. McCurdy, sent the first wireless message from a plane to a ground station at New York City in August 1910. Two giant steps came in 1911 and 1912. The first was a westbound coast-to-coast flight across the U. S. and, almost at the same time, another pioneer made an east-bound transcontinental flight.

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Hondo Base Hospital is staffed with one permanently assigned doctor, Captain Isaac J. Levine, who is the Base Surgeon, and one dentist, Captain Harris.

The hospital is provided with an emergency operating room, where immediate first aid is given, four private patient rooms, with one bed each, and one open ward with four beds. The hospital has one Cosmopolitan Cadillac ambulance which is completely equipped for any kind of emergency, and always has oxygen tanks on hand, and there is one Air Force field ambulance used for crashes. There are six people on duty at all times with the ambulance corps, three drivers, and three first aid men. In case of an injury, at the hospital first aid or emergency treatment is given before a patient is transferred to Lackland. There is one medical airman in the administrative section, T-Sgt. John Allen. With him are Airmen 1st Class Thomas C. Davis, and Airman Basic Joseph A. Payne. In the Aero Medical Service there are Airmen 1st Class Larry O. Miller, and with him Airman 1st Class Angel Luna. S-Sgt. Joel W. Seigler is in charge of the Medical Service Department. The Dental Clinic, in addition to one permanent dentist, is provided with one assistant, a contract employee, S-Sgt. Jack T. Davis of the Air Force is attached to this part of the hospital. There are three contract personnel attached to Hondo Air Base Hospital, one laboratory and X-ray technician, one dental assistant, and a stenographer in the administrative office. The hospital at present also has a doctor stationed on temporary duty at Hondo. At this time, Captain Ehlers, a surgeon, is attached to the base hospital.

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The Adjutant And Military Finance Officer

Hose H. Lovelace, Chief Warrent Officer W-4, is the Adjutant and Finance Officer for the military at Hondo Air Base. As such, Lovelace is the staff officer for the commander on the subject of administration, and as finance officer is responsible for the securing of all money for military personnel. This includes the payment of salaries, working with budgets, etc.

Lovelace was born in Mount Vernon, Texas and attended the Mount Vernon Schools. When graduating from high school Lovelace went directly into the Air Force at Fort Brown in Brownsville.

Air University

During his twenty years in the service, Lovelace was sent to the Air University at Craig Field, Selma, Alabama, and has been stationed at Barksdale Field in Louisiana, and other fields in the U. S.

Five Days on a Raft

While serving as an engineer on heavy bombers during the Pacific campaign, Lovelace was shot down over the Coral Sea where he drifted on a life raft for five days and six nights. There were six men in the group but only a few survived. The men had no food and allowed themselves only four ounces of water a day.

After a year in New Guinea Lovelace was sent home to a new station at Birmingham, Alabama. From there he was sent to Dallas, Ellington Field in Houston, Connally Air Base at Waco, to Randolph Field and then on June 5th, 1951, came to Hondo with the first group sent here.

Lovelace holds what he calls the "usual ribbons" along with three battle stars, one for the Northern Solomons, one from the British Archipelago, and another for the Pacific area.

Lovelace is married to the former Ruth Laney of Wills Point, Texas. They have two girls, Jo Jean who is fourteen, and Shirley who is twelve. Up until about two years ago, Lovelace owned his own airplane, having acquired his pilot training from Southern Airlines. The Lovelaces live in Sabinal. Lovelace's mother, Mrs. Carrie Lovelace, makes her home in Dallas, Texas.

Guard Duties At Hondo Air Base

The guards at Hondo Air Base have charge of all security at the base as well as carrying out all traffic regulations.

In the guard section there are the registration of all automobiles and the issuance of decals, and the arrangements for property and liability insurance in compliance with Texas laws.

The guard section at the Base is composed of 19 men who furnish the necessary protection for all base property. The work of this department is a part of Base Operations.



Colors and color-guard utilized at all parades and ceremonies.



Line in the cadet mess at Hondo Air Base.



Play-period in the physical training program, with baseball the favorite sport.



Part of the life of every cadet, the initiation by his fellow fliers after his first flight. This is a ritual practiced by the U. S.



A Hondo cadet before the take-off.

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Hondo Air Base's Director Of Military Training and Operations Officers

The Director of Military Training has charge of the housing, administration and training of all students, and acts as Foreign Liaison officer, the coordinator for all allied students training. The Base at Hondo has had as many as eight foreign countries represented by cadets in training.

The Director of Military Training and the Foreign Liaison officer is Major Warren G. Bell.

Maj. Bell was born in Danville, Illinois, and attended school there.

Warren Bell is something of an Horatio Alger with a very interesting military background which begins in January, 1940. Bell enlisted at that time as an airman, and in the capacity of mechanic was sent to Puerto Rico before the outbreak of the war. Upon returning to the states in December of '41, Bell attended flying school. He took his primary in Muskogee, Oklahoma, his basic in Brady, Texas, and attended advanced flying school in Ellington. He graduated as a flight officer in June of 1942, and was attached to the 63rd Troop Carrier Group, at Selfridge, Michigan flying C-47's.

In February of 1945 Bell went overseas with the 317th TCG to the Pacific area, and was stationed at Clark Field. He remained at Okinawa until October, 1945. From Flight Officer rating, Bell moved rather fast with promotion to 2nd Lt in June of '43; 1st Lt., in July of '43; Captain in August '44; and Major in February '51.

Upon returning to the states in 1946, Capt. Bell was stationed at Lackland for 2½ years as a Squadron Commander at Basic Training School. Major Bell then made the statement that it really

got "rough" when he was sent to Hawaii in July of 1948. He loved it. While in Hawaii, from 1948 until '50, he spent six months on Eniwetok with the Atomic Energy Commission as Commander of an Air Force detachment.

Upon being asked if he had any medals Bell claimed he had "no outstanding citation."

Bell was married in 1942, and he and his wife Mattie have two little girls, Joy aged 9, and Donna 5. His mother and father live in Danville where they have always had their home, and he has two brothers and three sisters. Warren G. Bell's primary interest in high school was sports, and he chose basketball first, then football. He was captain of the basketball team in 1937-38 at Catlin School seven miles outside of Danville. The team made it to State.

Major Warren G. Bell came to Hondo in 1951, and has his family living with him at 1403 - 29th Street.

The Director of Military Training has working with him four men, who make up a pretty unusual crew. These four men have accumulated among them about 18,000 hours of accident-free flying. They have flown 32 different types of planes, trainers, fighters, bombers, cargoes. When making up the list of good men to interview, including heroes from both wars, the names of these four men were suggested by several people. An interview was set for the four men, but upon talking to them, they each insisted that their lives were "ordinary," and there wasn't a hero in the bunch.

But out of the interview came such things as one man having been the officer in charge of re- turning the first 10,000 bodies of

the Pacific campaign back to the States, another flew the hump for thirteen months, another received two Distinguished Flying Crosses, and another was flying his eighth mission when World War II ended.

Here's something about those "plain, ordinary" citizens.

CAPTAIN PHILIP P. PLOTKIN was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and attended the Milwaukee schools. Upon graduation from high school he joined the cadets. That was in 1942. Plotkin took his training at Miami Beach, Nashville, Maxwell Field and graduated from Spence Field as a 2nd Lt., flying T-6's. Captain Plotkin remarked here with a wry grin that he was again flying those T-6's.

The Hump, ATC's

Plotkin went over to India with the Air Transport Command flying C-46's and stayed over there thirteen months, logging up 600 flying hours in that time. He came back to the States with an Air Medal and five battle stars, and was attached to the 47th Bombing Group flying B-26's at Biggs Field in Lake Charles, La. Plotkin was released from the service in 1947 and went to work for the Allis Chalmers Mfg. Company, but in May of 1949 he was back in the Air Force stationed at Randolph AFB teaching single-engine flying. And in June of 1951 Plotkin came to Hondo with the original cadre which opened the field.

Married to A Texan

When asked about his family, Plotkin said he was married to a girl from Texas, Laming, Texas. He met her while he was on temporary duty at Kelly Field, and she was working for the Director of Air Materiel at Headquarters. Although the Plotkins have no children now, they're going to have some in September, for sure.

Plotkin's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Russove, still live in Milwaukee, and his three sisters and one brother live around Wisconsin.

The Plotkins live at 605 19th street in Hondo.

Captain Philip D. Plotkin is Director of Operations and Training, that is, he is supervisor of military check pilots. The exact mission of his group is to monitor and inspect the quality of student production in accordance with Air Force standards.

ELDRED N. STEIN, who came from San Antonio and whose parents live in Bandera, was next in this group of Check Pilots. Stein attended Central Catholic High School and was a member of the R. O. T. C. while there.

Navigator

In 1943, Stein joined up with the cadets, and in 1944 graduated as a Navigator with the rating of 2nd Lt. Upon graduation he was sent to England where he flew eight missions with the 100th Bombing Group. The war ended just about that time, and Stein stayed in Weisbaden, Germany until July of 1946. He came back with an Air Medal.

St. Mary's U.

In 1946, Stein entered St. Mary's University in San Antonio, where he remained until 1948 when he again entered the service. He trained at Spokane, Washington as navigator and

radar observer on B-29's, and in 1949 graduated as a pilot. From Spokane, Stein returned to Randolph, and in April of 1952 came to Hondo.

Elder and Gloria Cain Stein, have three children, Cheryl Lynn, Deborah Neil and Gregory Charles, and they all live at 1725 - 23rd Circle.

Captain **RALPH W. E. WEBB** hails from Whitesburg, Kentucky, which he says is pretty far back in that State. He attended school in Whitesburg, and later on attended George Washington University in Washington, D. C.

Married On Graduation

In May 1942, Webb entered cadet training, and says he hit a lot of states, Maxwell Field in Alabama, Lafayette in Louisiana, Greenwood in Mississippi, and graduated at Napier Field in Dothan Alabama, April 1943. He was married on graduation day.

DFC's, A Presidential Citation

In December of 1943, Webb left for India with the ATC, flying C-46's. He came back from this mission with two Air Medals, two DFC's, a Presidential Citation and a "couple battle stars." Reno was his next stop where he instructed in flying until May, 1945, and then returned to civilian life working for the government in Washington, D. C. By 1948 he was back in the service again teaching student training at Randolph Field where he stayed for three years, then came to Hondo where he and his family have lived for two years.

Capt Webb's mother, Mrs. Sarah Ellen Webb, is living in Whitesburg, and he has four sisters and one brother, living in Washington, Kentucky and Cleveland.

Webb and his wife Virginia have two children, Betty aged 8, and Jeff aged 5.

They make their home at 702 27th Street in Hondo.

CAMERON P. WILEY, the 4th member of the group, was the supervisor in charge of the return of the first bodies which were shipped back to the states after the Pacific campaign of World War II.

Captain Wiley was born in St. Louis, Missouri, and attended schools in Du Quoin, Illinois. In 1943 Wiley enlisted with the Air Force and was sent to Miami Beach for his basic training.

From Miami Beach he went with the college training detachment to Sioux City, Iowa, then later to Santa Anna, California, for his pre-flight. Wiley finished at Pecos Air Force Base's twin-engine advance school in 1944, as a Second Lieutenant.

Wiley stayed in Texas traveling from Pecos to Amarillo where he flew B-29's at the flight engineers' school. From Amarillo, he was sent to Lowery Field in Denver for the second phase of his training in the flying of B-29's and then went on to Roswell, N. M. for the B-29 flight engineers' transition school.

Combat Training

Wiley was processed for overseas in Lincoln, Nebraska, and then was sent to Mountain Home, Idaho for his B-29 phase training, preparatory for combat.

Quartermaster Corps 1946

It ended up with Wiley's going overseas to the Southwest Pacific with the Graves Registration Service, Finschhafen, of the Quartermaster Corps. From December of 1946 until March of 1948, Wiley helped move a cemetery of 11,000 American boys from Finschhafen, New Guinea, to a central location in Manila. In March of 1948, Wiley signed about 4,000 of those graves that were to be returned to the United States, the first of about 10,000 men to be sent home. In July of 1948, after being stationed at Clark Field in Manila, Wiley again headed back to New Guinea, and in 1948 returned to Randolph to the central instructors' school.

Wiley came to Hondo with the first "wave" of men sent to establish Hondo Air Base.

Wiley is married to a Texas girl, Elfrieda Voges whom he met at Randolph while she was working in the finance office. They have a daughter, Patricia, two years old.

Wiley is the son of L. W. Wiley, the city attorney at Fort Worth, Kansas and Mrs. Amanda Wiley.

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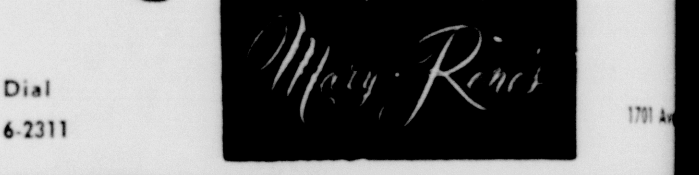
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A. C. GILLIAM EXPERIMENTS WITH WELL-IRRIGATION PROJECT

On his ranch, nine miles north of Hondo, A. C. Gilliam is doing some pioneering for that section of Medina county. He is trying out well irrigation as a supplement to rainfall and as drouth insurance in production of feed crops and field grazing.

Gilliam told us the other day this was his first experience with irrigation and he had a lot to learn. He was not as yet willing to say the project was economically sound under the circumstances, but was inclined to believe it would work out well.

Anyway, neighbors are watching Gilliam's project and several have told him they will put in systems of their own if he is successful. It requires a considerable outlay to prepare land properly for irrigation.

Last year, spurred by the drouth, Gilliam began studying the possibilities of irrigating part of his cropland. In the late summer he drilled a 655-foot well to provide for irriga-

tion. The well pumps about 1000 gallons a minute with a 280-foot well into the Edwards formation.

His immediate concern was to get water on fall-seeded oats for quick grazing. His initial experience wasn't happy. Several mistakes had been made in laying out the ditches and delivery system which stalled successful application of water.

Last January, Gilliam asked assistance of soil conservation district technicians in laying out a conservation system adapted to his land, designed not only to spread the correct amount of water within the proper time but also to conserve rainfall.

This, according to Ray Stermer, agricultural engineer who has been working with both the Medina Valley and the Alamo Soil Conservation districts, requires consideration of several factors. Infiltration rates and water-holding capacities of

the soils, the volume of water available and the lay of the land all must be taken into consideration.

Gilliam now has a 22-acre field of alfalfa in level border irrigation. He had planned on making his first cutting the past week, but is not complaining of a 1.4-inch rain which caused delay.

Borders cut the fields into strips or "tables" approximately 30 feet wide by 600 feet long. Side fall between borders was removed at the same time borders were being built with a grader. The tablets have a slight lengthwise grade away from the raised delivery ditch, the tablets being served by siphons.

Gilliam also has another 55 acres on which he is using level-row irrigation. Twenty acres are in corn and hegari and 33 acres are in bufflegum and blue panic. He is planning to put an addi-

tional 60 acres into level border irrigation for oats next winter.

Storage for the irrigation system is provided by an earthen reservoir, covering slightly more than an acre and holding about five-acre feet of water.

Gilliam, a co-operator with the Medina County Soil Conservation district, raises cattle, sheep and goats and practices rotation of grazing in his range management program.

His ranch is cut up into many pastures and fields and as a result he has been able to stock rather heavily without undue injury to his range.

He takes prominent and active part in the affairs of the community. He is keenly interested in the Medina County Junior Fat Stock show and believes that it has had a direct and appreciable effect in improving the quality of livestock in Medina county.

—J. H. McLean in SA Light.



Crops under irrigation on the A. C. Gilliam ranch about nine miles north of Hondo.

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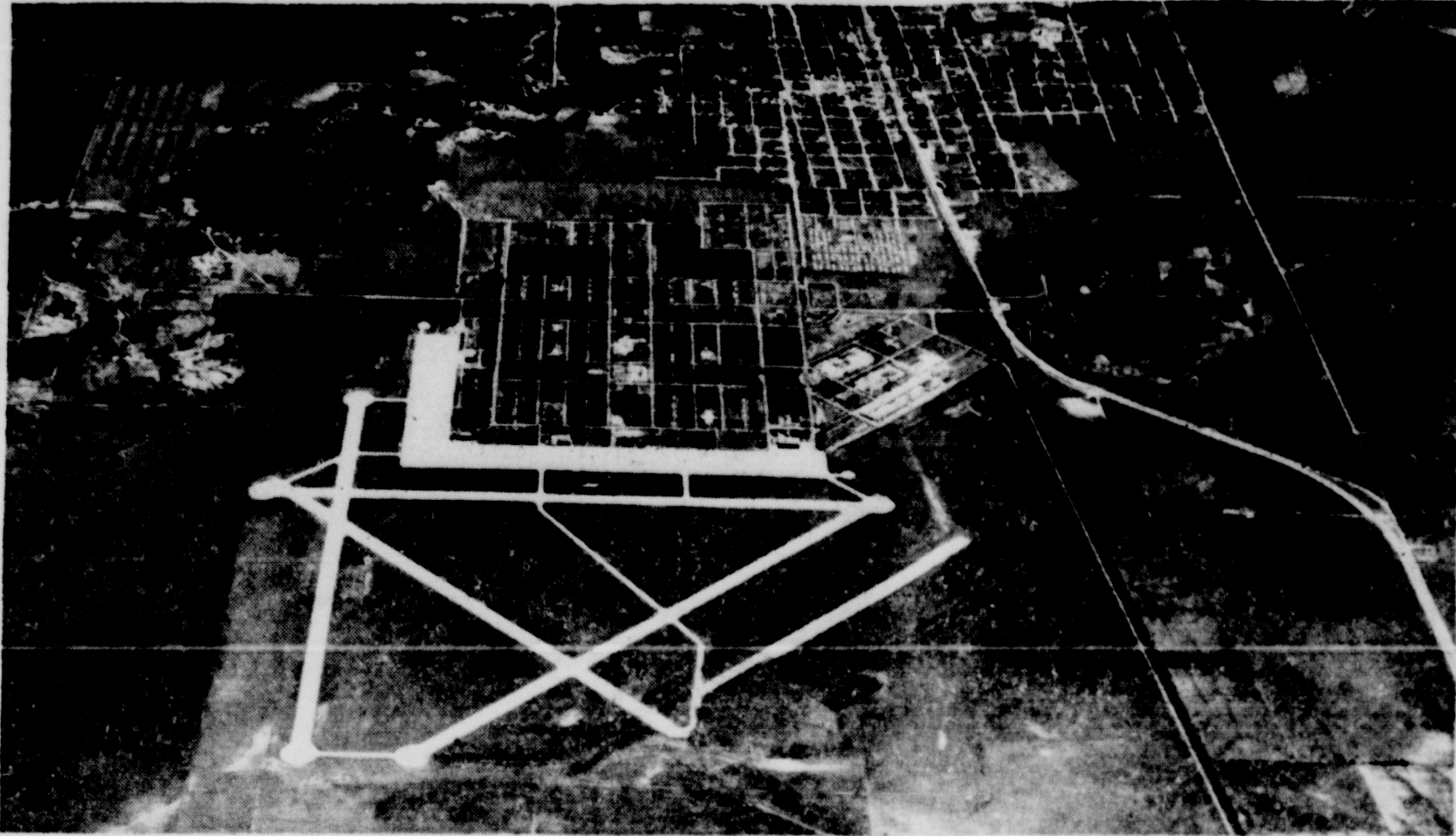
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This Is The History of TAI

The Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, was brought into the world by virtue of an invitation from the Air Force to the aviation industry to present bids for the implement of Contract Basic Flying Training sites for the Air Force. The bid invitations were issued in February, 1951, with March 2, 1951, as the date for receiving bids. This establishes March 2, 1951, as the birth date of Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated. The project was presented by personnel who had formerly been employed in Contract Flying Schools for the Air Force during World War II to Mr. R. L. Wheelock, Sr., thru his son of the same name. Mr. Wheelock, Sr., knowing that H. B. Zachry Company had built the Hondo Air Base for the Air Force during World War II, presented the matter to Mr. H. B. Zachry. The two of them agreed to sponsoring the project and submitted a bid to the Air Force using Hondo Air Base as its proposed site.

A great deal of political pressure was being brought to bear on the Air Force Headquarters in Washington by the Chambers of Commerce throughout the United States; all seeking the location of one of the proposed schools. The Air Force proposed to operate nine such schools, the operation of which involves a payroll of three million dollars, minimum, per year. This makes a very tidy sum to be distributed through any community, so it is quite understandable why these locations were sought in many sections of the United States. The political pressure was so severe that the Secretary of the Air Force appointed a committee of disinterested civilians to make the necessary selections. This committee visited every proposed site throughout the United States. There were ninety visits in the course of the selection. Representatives from the Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, were finally called to Dallas on May 28, 1951, and informed by the Chairman of the Selection Committee that Hondo had been selected, and Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, the operator thereon. As an objective, it was requested to make prepara-



Aerial photograph of Hondo Air Base where Texas Aviation Industries employs from 800 to 1,000 people, have an annual payroll of three to four million dollars.

tions to receive the first class of trainees on July 9, 1951.

Such an objective really put pressure upon Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated. On June 5, 1951, Hondo Air Base was formally reactivated by the Air Force, and Lieutenant Colonel John D. Irvin reported for duty as the Commanding Officer. On June 8, 1951, a formal contract was received from the Air Force and Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, signed the formal contract with the H. B. Zachry Construction Company to rebuild those portions of the Hondo Air Base which were needed in the proposed program.

The program as scheduled was such that 132 students were to report in progressive increments of six weeks each. The first class was scheduled to arrive on July 9, 1951, and this same class to begin flying on August 10, 1951, concurrently with the arrival of the second class.

The H. B. Zachry Construction

Company was called upon to develop the post in increments coinciding with the flow chart of aviation students. This was readily agreed to by the H. B. Zachry Company, and their schedules were met in every instance through the tremendous know how and experience of that splendid organization.

The Air Force designated Goodfellow Air Force Base as the parent organization, and Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, is deeply indebted to the Commanding Officer of that organization for the splendid assistance he gave in indoctrinating the key personnel in their new organization. In order to provide the necessary training of flight personnel, it was and still is required that the instructors go through the Pilot Instructor School at Selma, Alabama. There they receive an intensive six weeks' course which encompasses the entire six months of duties in the development of the

training to be given to the aviation trainees. It is a tremendous task to recruit the necessary personnel and indoctrinate them in their duties. To do this, there is an operation called "Yard Bird" school on the base at Hondo. Its accomplishment requires "Yard Bird" trainees two months ahead of student trainees. In this Goodfellow Air Force Base was most helpful and the fledgling Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, received on loan five T-6s, on June 11, 1951, just six days from its date of activation.

More hectic days followed in making ready the maintenance crews, the supply and equipment handling details, the administrative personnel, and the preparation of the base. On July 15, 1951, the Air Materiel Command sent Mr. Richard D. Reynolds to Hondo as Resident Contract Officer. Mr. Reynolds brought along the Resident Auditor and several assistants. The contract which Texas Aviation Industries, Incor-

porated, received on June 8, 1951, was a fixed price bid, and the program was to be conducted on the basis of a private enterprise using the best known industrial practices. In the meantime, the Air Force was studying the best methods of operating the contractual schools. Upon the advice of budgetary personnel, the Air Force decided that it was in the best interest of uniform production, uniform accounting, of getting the maximum for the dollar and to prevent contractors from bidding for equipment and facilities against each other that a cost plus fixed fee contract would produce better results. Accordingly, the Chairman of the Board, Mr. H. B. Zachry, was called to Dayton and on June 25, 1951, the fixed bid contract was changed to a cost plus fixed fee. It is quite a simple thing to say, but a difficult procedure

to work out the changes from a fixed bid enterprise to cost plus enterprise. The change involves complete reorientation of supply and accounting procedures, all of which had to take place in the midst of the growing pains. The difficulties which were encountered however, had nothing to do with the fact that the students would arrive on schedule and that schedule had to be met.

A great deal of pride and enthusiasm welcomed Class 52-E. Easy when it arrived July 9, 1951. The cadets began their pre-flight training, and Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, was overjoyed to find that it had sixty student officers fresh from the academies, and greatly honored by having the son of the Chief of our Staff as a member of that class, 2nd Lieutenant Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Jr., in addition to whom, there was the son of the Commanding General of San Antonio Air Materiel Area, 2nd Lieutenant Thomas M c M u l l e n. It was thus by virtue of the confidence shown in the selection of this school for these two youngsters that attention of the Air Force was focused upon Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, at Hondo.

The difficulties of the days succeeding entry of this class appear in retrospect to be minor. Each day was filled with effort upon effort to secure material and personnel. The H. B. Zachry Company clipped off building a f t e r building phased in with the personnel and equipment to occupy each building. Suddenly, in January of 1952, full stature had been reached. On the base were 609 aviation students f r o m many countries. There were students f r o m France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Italy, and America. It is a tremendously impressive sight to see them on parade with so many of the students of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization represented on the plains of Hondo. To handle these students there are 700 civilian employees and a military complement of 25 Air Force Officers and 50 Airmen.

Many representatives of the contract schools have come to compare their efforts with those at Hondo.

February 7, 1952, came around—Class 52-E had been in training for six months. This was the date of its graduation. The line was full and at last the turn of the spigot at the end of the line had produced some results. The long last production was observed, and Class 52-E was ready to proceed to advanced schools. Some into jets and some into multi-engine piston equipment. It was a gala day for Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated. As befitting an occasion such as this, Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, President and General Manager of Eastern Airlines, an Air Force ace and the holder of every meritorious award available throughout the world, graciously accepted an invitation to be the guest speaker upon the occasion of the graduation of the first class. Mr. H. B. Zachry, Mr. R. L. Wheelock, Sr., and Mr. R. L. Wheelock, Jr., accepted an invitation to be present with Captain Rickenbacker on the occasion, and the first class, which had started 132 strong, came up for graduation with a loss of only 17% due to inability to learn to fly. This was the proof of the quality of the work of the organization. The percentage of graduates had met the standard of the Air Force; the quality of the instruction had been proven.

All effort from here on out is concentrated upon maintaining this standard and improving it daily, and at the same time holding operational costs to the point that while there is inherited the tradition of Randolph Field and basic training in Texas, wastage in man power is thrown off. Texas Aviation Industries, Incorporated, produces the best package for a dollar that the Air Force has ever received in Texas. In doing so, a great contribution is made to national defense and at the same time giving to the tax payer the means of defending his home and leaving some money in his pocket with which to enjoy it.

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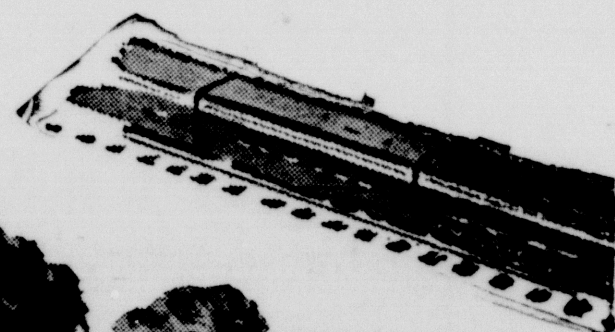
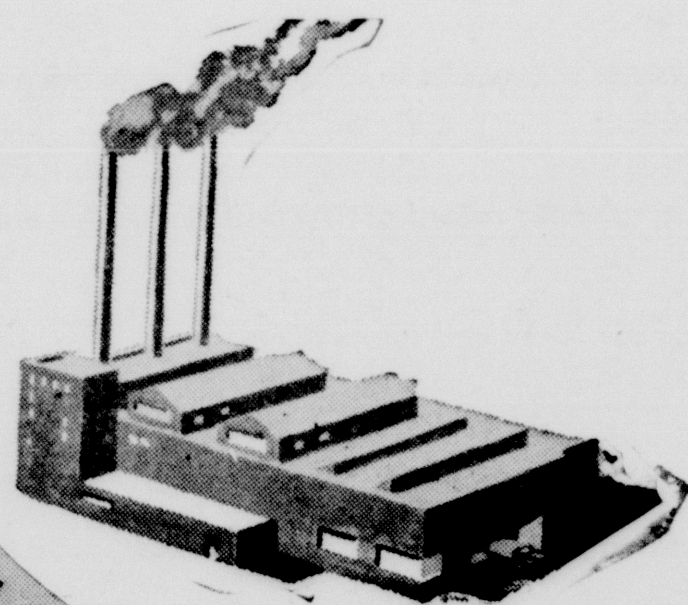
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General Luther S. Smith Formerly At Hondo Base

Brigadier General Luther S. Smith as the Executive Vice-President of Texas Aviation Industries Incorporated was in charge of the Hondo Air Base from its date of re-activation in 1951 until the last of June 1953.

Gen. Smith was born in Wadesville, North Carolina and later attended the University of North Carolina from 1918 to 1920 when he received his B. S. from the University. General Smith entered the U. S. Military Academy, graduating in 1924.

In 1925, General Smith was married to Hazel Stowers from whom he was divorced in 1951. They had three children, Hazel Frances, May Ann, and Richard Stowers. In 1952, General Smith was married to Mrs. Jimmie Kelp.

Pursuit Pilot
General Smith received his commission as a 2nd lieutenant in the Air Service, upon graduation and advanced through the grades to brigadier general in 1942. He rotated on duty as pursuit pilot between tactical units and the flying schools until 1936. Smith served as junior execu-

tive to the Chief of Air Corps, from 1936-40, and from 1940-41 as director of training South East Air Force Training Center. From 1941-42 the General was executive assistant to chief of Air Corps.

Along in 1942 General Smith was made director of individual training Army Air Forces and was commanding the 33rd Flying Training Wing from April to November 1943.

Commanding General
From December 1943 to February 1944, Smith was chief of staff of the AAF Central Flying Training Command, and commanding general of the AAF Central Flying Command from February to June of 1944.

Caribbean Defense Command
In July of 1944, General Smith was sent to the Caribbean Defense Command as director of military missions in Central and South America; and in 1945 was Chief of Civil Affairs of the AF in the office of the commanding general of the AAF.

Chief of Liaison Berlin
Smith was sent to Berlin as chief of US liaison and protocol Allied Control Authority in June of 1945; and in August of 1946 was retired as Brigadier General in the U. S. Army.

Among his many decorations,

Quail Comeback Seen Probable

AUSTIN—Officials of the Texas Game and Fish Commission, noting exceptional interest in Texas' depressed quail population at the annual game warden schools, assured the field men that public cooperation definitely can expedite rallying the bobwhites.

Warden concern over the quail problem, which became acute during the prolonged drought which apparently reached its peak last year, highlighted the annual classroom routine held in two periods at Bastrop State Park.

Commission authorities, particularly the Assistant Director of Wildlife Restoration (Ernest G. Marsh) emphasized that while there are mysterious cycle angles involved, quail propagation is controlled to a great extent by man-made conditions.

"The answer rests squarely upon proper conditions, which mean food, cover and water," said the Assistant Director of Wildlife Restoration. "These may be provided by nature or they may be provided by the very civilization which has created so many hardships for quail as well as all species of wildlife."

It was concluded that the wardens, many of whom have distinguished themselves for conservation and restoration efforts, can do a good job working directly with the populace. They may help encourage joint movements by hunters and landowners to provide a favorable habitat for the fleet little birds which have long been a favorite in the annual fall shooting sport.

With this food, cover and water extended to the once prolific quail areas, the Assistant Director said the quail very likely will come back in good time. "It is surprising," he said, "how the necessary brood stock will be found available and adequate if conditions become favorable for reproduction."

Smith holds the U. S. Legion of Merit, the Cruzeiro Do Sol, Grande Official from Brazil; Orden del Merito Militar, Grand Official from Chile; La Medalla de Distinction, Las Ala Honorarias de Piloto Militar F. A. N. from Nicaragua; the Order of the British Empire, as an honorary Knight Commander.

The General is a member of the San Antonio Country Club, and the Army and Navy club in Washington.

High Dysentery Siege In Texas

AUSTIN—Commenting on the unusually high incidence of dysentery in Texas at the present time, Dr. Geo. C. Cox, State Health Officer described dysentery as being an infectious disease characterized by diarrhea, pain in the abdomen, and toxemia. It is caused by a specific bacteria or germ. These germs cause inflammation of the lining of the intestinal tract which produces pain throughout the abdomen and the discharge of many loose stools that frequently contain blood and mucus. Toxemia results from absorption of the poisonous substances produced by the germs.

"The germs gain entrance to the body through the mouth," Dr. Cox said, "and then make their way to the intestines in the same manner in which food does. When they reach the intestines they find conditions favorable to their growth, and there they establish themselves at the expense of the person infected and produce their harmful effects."

Dr. Cox warned that dysentery affects young children more often and more seriously than adults, frequently resulting fatally, however, he said it may occur at any age. It is unusually more prevalent during the summer season, and the great number of cases now being reported are unusual for spring.

"The germ is always expelled with the excreta of persons sick with dysentery and may continue to be expelled for some time after the patient recovers from the disease. These persons who still discharge the germs after they recover are called carriers, and they occur more frequently in this disease than in the majority of other infectious diseases.

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Aransas Pass To Present Fishing Pageant

ARANSAS PASS — More than 500 fishing boats are expected to converge on this thriving South Texas community July 12th to participate in one of the most picturesque and cherished rites known to the Gulf Coast.

The occasion is the annual blessing of the shrimp fleet in the Aransas Pass harbor.

Boats from Morgan City, Port Arthur, Galveston, Freeport, Port O'Connor, Port Isabel, Brownsville, Rockport, and Port Lavaca along with the Aransas Pass fleet are expected to be present.

The blessing will be offered by Msgr. Adolph Marx, chancellor of the Diocese of Corpus Christi. He will be aboard a boat that will move slowly through the harbor while the blessing is pronounced.

A welcome will be extended to visitors by the Rev. Damien Hayes of St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church in Aransas Pass.

Also on hand will be a Catholic choir from the nearby community of Taft. Members of the Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus will provide an honor guard.

The ceremony will provide a colorful climax to the Aransas Pass Shrimp-o-ree, a three-day celebration sponsored by the Aransas Pass Chamber of Commerce which is expected to attract more than 15,000 participants and spectators from all parts of Texas.

Following the blessing of the fleet Shrimp-o-ree visitors will be invited aboard the shrimp boats for a marine parade around the Aransas Pass waterfront.

The boats will be decorated with flags and streamers for the occasion.

"We are expecting our biggest and finest celebration," said Mrs. Esther McNeill, Chamber of Commerce manager.

The Shrimp-o-ree will get under way on the afternoon of Friday, July 10, with a parade of youngsters riding decorated bicycles, wagons, buggies, tricycles, and miniature autos down Aransas Pass' main street. It will be followed by various types of bicycle racers for both boys and girls.

A street dance starting at dark will round out first-day activity. The Shrimp-o-ree Parade, a procession of more than 100 band, floats, and decorated automobiles, will be held the next morning.

Immediately afterward, a free fish dinner will be served by Ar-

Hondo Men Make Up Airfield Property Commission

Since the last of 1946 and the beginning of 1947, residents of Hondo and the surrounding area, have enjoyed the advantages due to the Hondo Air Base. These advantages are none other than grants from the Government to this city, grants which are used daily by the citizens, and which might never have been realized if the city of Hondo would have had to purchase them.

The deed to Hondo Air Base was given to the city of Hondo. Due to this newly acquired property an Airfield Property Commission was set up with a manager and 3 commissioners. The operation of the field since that time has never cost the city or the tax payers one cent. It has always paid its way.

The property consists of 3560 acres, approximately, of which 1100 acres are leased out for farming. On this property there are 123 buildings ranging in size from 28,000 to 1,200 square feet per building. These buildings include hangars, shops, barracks, class rooms, etc., most of which are rented for various activities.

Included in the property are 2 deep water wells, one 1380 feet and the other 1360 feet, which provide for almost 65 percent of the water used by the people of Hondo. Each well rates about 1250 gallons a minute. New wells would cost the city about \$10,000. There is an overhead water storage tank with a capacity of 250 thousand gallons, and a ground storage tank which holds 465 thousand gallons. The overhead storage tank is valued at about \$25 thousand, and the ground storage tank about \$30 thousand. The pumping capacity of the wells at

Aransas Pass businessmen to all Shrimp-o-ree participants and visitors. The menu will include red snapper, beans, pickles, bread, and onions.

A beauty contest featuring 4 divisions will be held in the afternoon. The divisions will be for tiny tots, from 2 to 4 years; small fry, from 5 to 8; junior girls, from 9 to 12; and senior girls, 13 and older.

The winner of the senior girls divisions will be crowned Miss Shrimp-o-ree of 1953.

the air field would be 2800 gallons per minute.

These water systems are connected with the city system, giving an overall capacity of approximately one million gallons of storage water, the largest of any city of this size in the state of Texas. In addition to this, this water system has kept the insurance rates for the citizens in the lowest brackets, with a 25 percent discount.

The sewer system which was included in the deed, is one of the best in the state, comparable to one for a city of 50 thousand population. The city of Hondo does not use this system now, as it is not needed and it would take three men to maintain it. This system is valued at approximately \$100,000.

Then there is the electrical distribution system which was conveyed to the city. This included poles, lines, transformers, etc.

From the gas distribution system, Hondo realizes revenue from the natural gas sold through the lines by leasing the system to the United Gas. With this, Hondo also realized all the underground natural gas distribution facilities which includes pipes, regulators and a master meter.

Today Hondo has access to maintenance equipment which the government conveyed to the city also. This equipment included tractors, rollers, street sweepers, concrete mixers, grass cutters, and a fire truck which has been turned over to the fire department. Also there are two pickups and one jeep.

In addition to these grants from the Government to the city of Hondo, the facilities provided for on the land were the direct cause of the Alamo Pottery to move its central office to Hondo.

The Pottery, now Universal Rundle, Inc., which employs between 118 to 120 Medina County citizens has an annual payroll of between \$300 thousand and \$400 thousand.

It was also through the efforts of the city to maintain the base that caused the government to issue a contract to TAI bringing this area an enormous payroll and providing employment for approximately 1,000 people.

In the deed the government has written what is known as

re-capture clause which provides for the re-establishment of an army base at any time the government desires. Due to this clause not all of the buildings have been rented. Most companies that would like to come in cannot afford to rent without a long lease, which is impossible for the city to promise.

The Hondo Air Base is operated by a commission which is appointed by the City Council. The Base is in the hands of the original commission to which a great deal of credit goes for the activity at the field. Paul Bybee is the manager, and the board is made up of Frank Vance, Joe Palle and J. S. MacManus.

And of course, in addition to the payroll and employment that is brought in by the Base, the advantages that are to be had in Hondo have been the immediate cause of many people to establish their permanent residence in the city. For the best example of this increase look at the number of new homes today as compared to 1947, and take a long look at the Hondo Public School System and its expansion.

Warning Against Food Poisoning

The coming of warm weather brings a warning from Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, for all persons to be on the alert regarding food poisoning. Most cases investigated by the State Department of Health disclosed that improper food handling was responsible for the illness.

Food poisoning is commonly caused by bacteria in food. In general there are two types, food poisoning and food infection. Food poisoning is caused by bacteria in the food that produce a poison and usually the symptoms appear within a few hours. In food infection, the bacteria do not produce a poison, but attack the body. This takes longer so symptoms usually do not appear for 12 to 24 hours after eating.

In both kinds of illness the symptoms may be similar: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain and fever may all occur. In food poisoning nausea and vomiting may predominate while in food infection diarrhea may be the prominent symptom.



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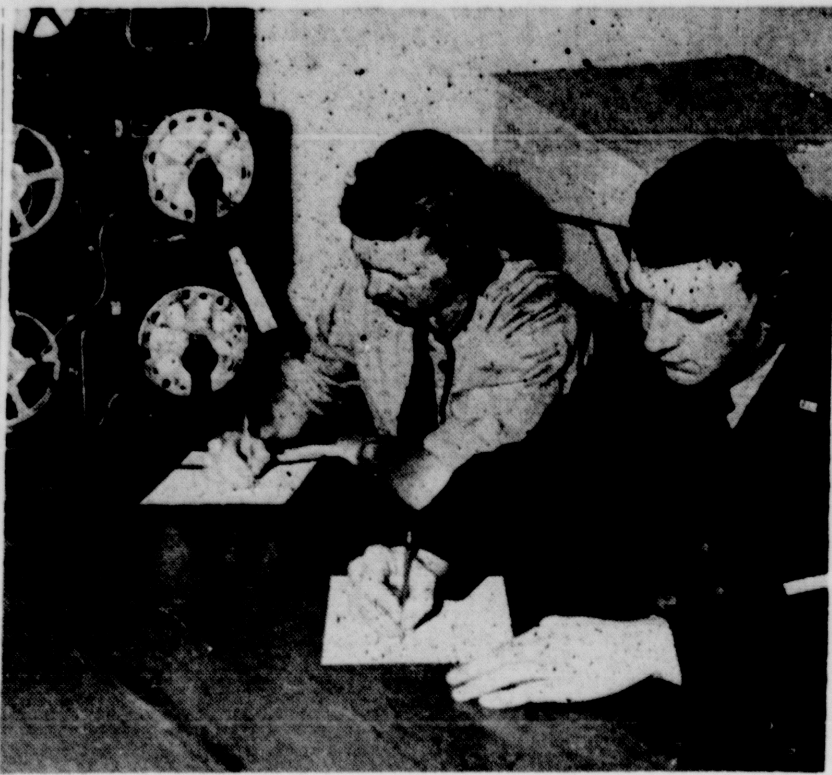
In the month of June we celebrated Air Training Command's tenth anniversary. It's a husky 10-year-old, numbering nearly 300,000 people at 43 bases, four headquarters and a mobile training group.

It's doing a big job, too. The proof has been demonstrated every day, for the last three years, in the skies over North Korea. Our Sabres have whipped the MIGs regularly. They've maintained a better than 10 to 1 ratio of kills. Our fighter-bombers and bombers have taught the North Koreans and Chinese Reds to fear the light and the night. Their pinpoint accuracy has made all hours of the day an unhealthy time for the enemy. All owe much to the work of the ground crews who keep the planes in shape. They're all doing a big job and doing it right. They learned their jobs in ATRC.

Many changes have occurred since the Command was created July 7, 1943. We're big today, but not as big as we were during World War II. This year we've added two bases—Foster AFB in Texas and Marianna AFB in Florida. The technical training load is also on its way up. From an average training load of about 45,000 during the year we're now aiming for 71,000.

Of major importance this year, the pilot training program was completely revamped. In November 1952, after a couple of years of study by USAF and ATRC, a new training program known as Revitalized Pilot Training was set up.

The previous ways of training a pilot were not good enough for today's Air Force. Early experience in Korea proved that. So ATRC did what it has always done in similar situations. A close look at the problem showed a better way to do the job. Now the aviation cadet is put through a four-part program that's designed to make him a combat-ready pilot. He starts with pre-flight, goes next into light plane screening, moves up to T-28, T-33 or B-25, and completes his training in the combat-type plane he will



A cadet taking radio code instructions, an essential part of the training of a man as a future pilot.

fly and fight in. For good measure, "Project Tiger" came roaring into being to help him get in the mood.

This tenth year has been a big one for ATRC. But let's look back in history and see how we did in the other nine.

From the start, we've had the job of training the heads and hands to use and maintain Air Force weapons. That's one thing about ATRC that's never changed.

The Command was born of wartime necessity and, during the war, we ran up an impressive score. We produced over 250,000 pilots, 51,000 navigators, 47,000 bombardiers, and more than two million technicians to support the flying personnel. With war's end the picture changed. As an example, the 1946 quota for pilot training was 826.

Our original headquarters were at Fort Worth, Texas. In 1946 we moved to Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La. The Command's first "boss" was Lt. Gen. Barton K. Yount. Not long after the move to Barksdale, in April 1946, Lt.

Gen. John K. Cannon took command.

The post-war years were lean and the Command faced the big problem of getting the "mostest for the leastest." Money was scarce but we looked for ways to improve our teaching techniques, keep up with the latest technical developments and make the best use of people assigned. In line with this policy ATRC was reorganized in July 1946. Three subordinate divisions were created. They were Flying Division at Randolph AFB, Texas, Technical Division at Scott AFB, Ill., and Indoctrination Division at Lackland AFB, Tex. The organization remained that way until October, 1949.

Meanwhile, in October, 1949, we got a new "boss." Lt. Gen. (then major general) Robert W. Harper became our commander.

Let's go back for a moment to October, 1947. That's when the venerable PT-13 fell by the wayside. Primary pilot training was cut out with the PT. Aviation cadets were to get their first

taste of flying in the AT-6 "Texan." It was never planned to use the "Texan" as the standard trainer. It was a stop-gap until a new trainer could be produced. We now have that trainer, the T-28, and we put it to work at ATRC bases this year.

While budgets were tied down slightly, training costs soared. Today, there's a price tag of almost \$100,000 on the training of each B-47 jet bomber pilot. For the advantage of being the best in the world, ATRC concentrated on quality in its graduates. General Harper has pointed out many times that our size depends on many things, but the important thing is that we must be the best.

In October 1949, ATRC moved to its present home at Scott AFB and the three divisions were eliminated. It wasn't hard to supervise the Command's activities from one headquarters. There were only 17 bases left.

In June, 1950, the picture began to change again, as a shooting war broke out in Korea. ATRC started expanding rapidly to meet the growing needs of the Air Force. The Airman Career Program was started that year. Of the 42 career fields which were established, ATRC was told to develop the job requirements for 16 of them.

By June, 1951, there were 32 bases, with seven more being considered. ATRC was rapidly becoming a giant again—as it had been during World War II. In the spring of that year, two training air forces were organized. Flying Training Air Force made its headquarters at Waco, Texas, and Technical Training Air Force was set up at Gulfport, Miss. A year later, in April, 1952, a third air force, Crew Training Air Force, was organized at Randolph AFB, Texas.

And up to the moment of printing, this is the structure of our Command.

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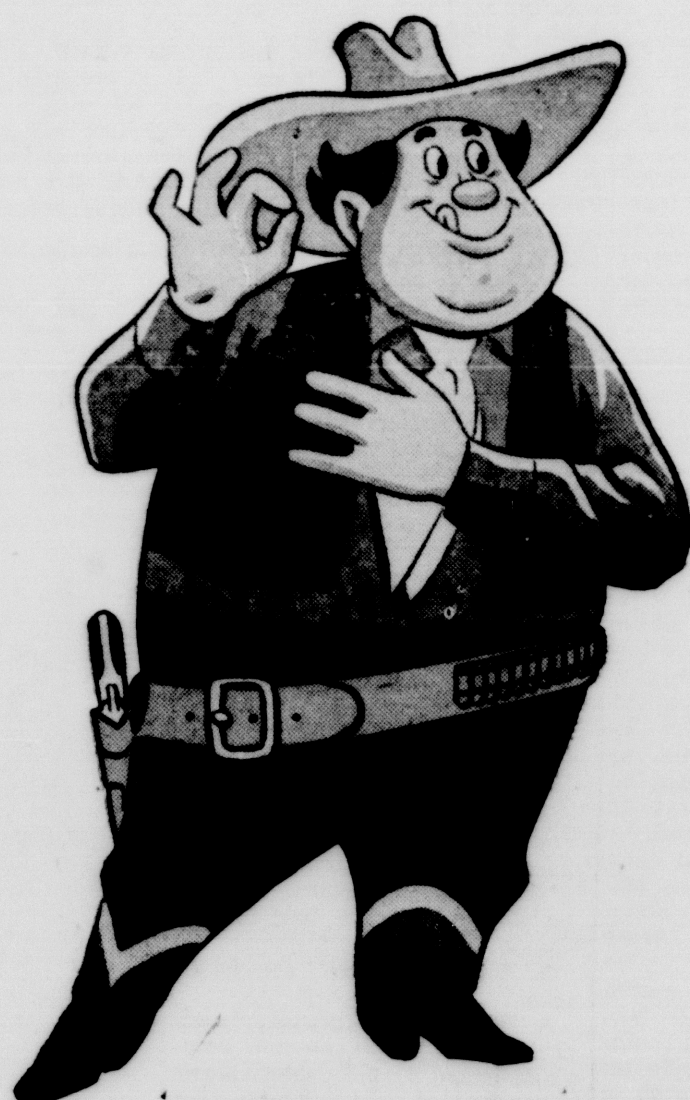
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The Anvil Herald Dedicates Issue To TAI

The Anvil Herald with great pleasure dedicates this issue to Texas Aviation Industries and the Hondo Air Base.

Through tremendous work and effort both on the part of the officers of TAI and the City Council of Hondo do we have the privilege of having this industry. It is to be remembered that a great many of the people of this area have received fine employment here at home due to this Air Base, and in the bringing in of the cadets and military personnel have we in Medina County realized better business and better living.

There are a great many men and women now stationed here whom Hondo can be well proud to have as residents. Several of these men are among the most outstanding leaders in Air Force affairs, and have served their

country ably, well and with distinction. Each one is a man who had dedicated the greater portion of his life to the Army and the Air Force.

In this issue we have attempted to tell you something about these men, where they came from and how they eventually arrived with the Air Force or TAI in Hondo. We have tried to tell with pictures and story the life and training of the cadets who make up the greatest air force in the world today.

Our main purpose in presenting this issue is to introduce to our readers the people who operate the Air Base and make it the finest contract school in the country, and to bring all of us closer together in friendship and interest.

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Pre-Vacation Precautions Suggested

AUSTIN—There's no place like home and to most returning vacationers, home is a most welcomed sight.

But while the mountains and seaside promise weeks of care-free pleasure, what happens to your home? A vacant house is a constant temptation to fire and theft.

A few pre-vacation precautions suggested by Norris W. Parker, manager of the Texas Insurance Advisory Association, may save home-owners both money and worry.

A good job of housecleaning can greatly reduce the possibility of fire. Old newspapers and accumulated rubbish in attics, yards and garages are good places for fire to start. Water heater closets are dangerous when doubled as a storage closet.

Besides locking all outside doors, all cabinet and closet doors on the inside should be locked. Therefore, if a fire should start it may be confined to one room until it is discovered and brought under control.

Shades should be left up and blinds open so that a fire may be observed right away, Mr. Parker explains.

Electrical appliances such as toasters, lamps, radios, etc., should be left unplugged and refrigerators and freezers turned down to vacation level.

Inform your neighbors when you leave so that they can keep an eye on your place and report any trouble either from fire or burglary. The appearance of any strangers or suspicious persons about should be reported to the police.

Milk and newspaper deliveries should be postponed for stacked-up papers and bottles on the porch are a dead give-away that you are out of town.

Unkept yards are another clue to a potential burglar that the house is empty. Let your yardman keep up his regular visits if possible.

Don't advertise the fact that you are leaving town by telling strangers and ask your neighbors not to mention your absence to strangers.

These rules are simple, Mr. Parker points out, but oftentimes they appear so obvious that they are overlooked by the excited homeowner anxious to get started on his vacation trip.

Green Tree Frog Has Many Names

The Green Tree Frog must be well known. It bears so many common names. Bell frog, fried bacon frog, cowbell frog, marsh tree frog are a few of the more descriptive of these common names. Of course some of these common names are applied to some other kinds of frogs.

The Green Tree Frog is found near the edges of fresh waterways on water plants, bushes, overhanging trees or vines. Some of its relatives will stray farther from water than will the Green Tree Frog. Usually this species is found close to the water level rather than high above it. Rafts of water hyacinth or stands of pickerel weed provide a superior type of vegetation to meet the needs of this frog.

Mature Green Tree Frogs reach a length of from 1½ to 2½ inches with the females being definitely larger than the males. The male is dark olive above with some orange spots scattered over the back. It is lighter on the side and there is a cream-colored streak which runs lengthwise of the side almost to the hind legs. The throat is green just under the mouth and the chin is cream-colored. Lower on the throat is a pinkish area that marks the wrinkled throat proper. The female lacks the pinkish chin of the male, the undersides from the groin to the chin being more or less uniformly cream-colored.

All sorts of interpretations have been made to represent the call of the Green Tree Frog. Some say that the frog says "fried bacon" repeatedly.

Others claim that the words, "grab, grab, grabit" better represent the sound. Still others claim that it is a simple repeated "quonk" closing with a "quank." At a distance a chorus of the frogs sounds much like a cowbell.

The sounds are not produced by the males alone. They come to the breeding grounds or show a wish to reproduce before the females do. Breeding usually takes place between mid-April and mid-August. The eggs float in small films or clusters usually attached near the water surface to some support.

The eggs are black or brown and white or cream. The tadpole that develops from the egg is of no extraordinary size, reaching a maximum of about 1½ inches in length. The tail is long and drawn out in the tadpole. The body is green with a yellowish or ivory stripe down the side of the head. After a development of from 55 to 63 days the mature tadpole



Col. Richard C. Boward Superintendent Of Hondo Air Base Services

Richard C. Boward is another of those men who came up from the ranks to reach the top as the Superintendent of Base Services at Hondo AFB.

Col. Boward was born and raised in Hagerstown, Maryland. In 1919 he went into the service of the Air Forces, and remained in the Air Force until his retirement in 1950 after 31 years of service.

Back in 1931, Boward was the First Sergeant Major with the opening of Randolph Field. He was to return to Randolph years later as Base Adjutant and Assistant Adjutant General of the Flying Training Air Force, and later became Adjutant General of the San Antonio Air Material Area, and Commanding Officer of Headquarters Squadron.

During his tour of Air Force duties in the Texas area, Col. Boward also served as Group Adjutant of the 3510th Military Training Group at Lackland, and as Base Adjutant of Brooks Field.

Flying Tigers
During World War II, Boward served with the AF in India as Wing Administrative Inspector for the famous 14th Air Force of the Chinese-American Composite Wing located in Kweilin, China. The 14th Air Force was better known as the Flying Tigers.

For hobbies, Col. Boward works with photography and has a special

interest in biology. He and his family are members of the Travis Park Methodist Church in San Antonio, and he is a member of the Blue Lodge at Schertz, the Scottish Rite and Shriners in San Antonio.

Col. Boward is particularly proud of his family. On the first of August, the Bowards will have been married 30 years. Mrs. Boward hails from North Carolina, and now serves as treasurer of the WSCS at Travis Park. The Bowards have two children. Richard C. Boward Jr., is a senior student at Trinity, and a speech major. He served as president of the well-known Trinity University players this past year, and was named to the honor roll as a senior. Robert J. Boward, younger son, was a freshman at Trinity for the 1953 spring semester and plans to return this fall.

As Superintendent of Base Services Col. Boward's work includes many services at Hondo Base. Under Base Services come cadet laundry, cadet clothing and equipment, the photographic laboratory, the reproduction section, publication section, housing and branch post office, correspondence co-ordinator, and the PBS telephone exchange.

In being interviewed Col. Boward remarked that "You know, one person can't run a show, and it is the result of the fine work of all of the people who work out here and are responsible for the various phases of work, that makes the Air Force Primary Training program a success."

Health Questions And Answers

Q. What is the difference between an internist and an intern?

A. An internist is a physician who specializes in diseases of the internal organs of the body. An intern is a doctor who has completed his university education or a medical degree, who may have been licensed, and who is completing a period of hospital training before entering private practice.

Q. What is the cause of overweight or obesity?

A. Overeating accounts for overweight in at least 95 per cent of cases.

Q. Why is the control of body weight so important?

A. Because it is a positive approach to maintaining health and preventing some of the major diseases of middle and later life such as high blood pressure, hardening of the arteries, and kidney disease.

Q. How common are headaches?

A. Next to constipation, headache is the most common complaint heard by the doctor. Many headaches, of course, never come to a doctor's attention.

transforms into the frog form. How long after this before the animal has reached reproductive maturity does not seem to be established.

These frogs are of course of no great economic importance. They feed as adults only on living animal matter and in this capacity no doubt destroy many pests such as mosquitoes. The frogs themselves are preyed on by a variety of enemies including fish, birds, mammals and other frogs.

The National Wildlife Federation is interested in all forms of nature and it takes little stimulation to interest anyone in this animal once an introduction has been established.

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